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Katie White, an account director at Holt / Bosse, works from home Wednesday in her converted basement office while her son, Connor, 3, watches TV. White is among many workers who now work from home due to the pandemic.

Working at home, or living at work?

Born out of necessity, work-from-home culture may find a permanent niche in a post-pandemic world

By JULIE SWIDWA
HP Staff Writer

ST. JOSEPH — Katie White got to see her 1-year-old son, Carson, go from barely walking to running across the room.

She also got to hear him begin to put words together.

And on her lunch break, she gets to eat with 3-year-old Connor.

"I can't ever complain about spending more time with the kids," she said.

White, like workers all across the nation, has been working from home since the COVID-19 pandemic surged in March, sending many people to their homes to work remotely.

For many, it works sometimes, not so well at other times. At times it feels like working from home. Other times it feels like living at work.

Like workers, employers in many companies are weighing the pros and cons of maintaining a work-from-home culture even beyond the pandemic.

The downside of staying home, White said, "It's like multiple full-time jobs. It's busy. I have a very full plate, and I miss my co-workers."

At the same time the young mother started working at home, Carson and Connor could not go to daycare.

"For two weeks I had zero help," White said. But then her husband, Jack, lost his job due to the pandemic and was home for two weeks before starting his new job at Honor Credit Union. Once he went back to work, her sister's girls, 11 and 12, began coming to help two days a week and her mother came two days a week.

Now, with school back in session and restrictions lifted, the boys go to in-home daycare two days a week.

Spectrum Health Lakeland, Whirlpool Corp., and White's employer are among those contemplating keeping a work-from-home option for many of their employees.

White is an account director at Holt Bosse, a marketing/communications firm in St. Joseph. Patrick Bosse and Dave Holt are presidents of the company, which has 16 employees.

On a recent afternoon, Bosse was the only person in the office.

"Usually there's three to five people here on any given day," he said. "In March, everybody worked from home except the officer manager, HR person and me."

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Katie White keeps an eye on her 1-year-old son, Carson, with a baby monitor while working from her St. Joseph home.

Patriotism – with a view

Buchanan ex-Marine to skydive on Veterans Day; plans to just 'hang on'

By TONY WITTKOWSKI
HP Staff Writer

VERGON

BUCHANAN — Doyle Vergon is ready to take the jump with fellow veterans.

The Buchanan resident, who is 86, will be taking part in a skydive jump with other veterans next week as part of a "Legacy Jump" at the National World War I Museum and Memorial in Kansas City, Mo.

On Veterans Day, Vergon will be among 20 veterans – ranging in age from 28-92 – who will be tandem skydiving onto the museum's north lawn.

"It's been in the works for some time," Vergon said Friday, who learned of the skydive about a week ago. "I wanted to do my duty and so forth. I want to do anything possible to help the veterans."

The jump is being organized by the Bird's Eye View Project in an effort to honor the men and women who served this country, and will feature veterans from World War II, plus the Korean, Vietnam, Persian Gulf, Afghanistan and Iraq wars.

Led by Purple Heart recipient and former Navy SEAL, Ryan "Birdman" Parrott, the jump will feature an all veteran group parachute team who will tandem skydive a veteran from each war.

Parrott will then cap off the jump with a symbolic

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BH residents told to boil drinking water

Issue at treatment plant means system needs to be flushed

By LOUISE WREGE
HP Staff Writer

BENTON HARBOR — Benton Harbor residents will need to filter, then boil their drinking water for at least two to three days due to a failure at the city's water treatment plant.

State officials were notified Thursday afternoon that there was a chemical feed interruption in the treatment process for two hours, meaning that bacterial contamination may have occurred, said Ernie Sarkipato, an engineering specialist with the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy. He spoke Friday during a Facebook Live news conference on the Berrien County Health Department Facebook page.

During this time, the water missing the chemical mixed with properly treated water and got into the city's water distribution system.

There was no indication of when this lapse took place.

Sarkipato said the initial problem was corrected, but now the water system needs to be flushed and tested to make certain there is no contamination.

Officials said that city workers will be seen opening fire hydrants throughout the city while the system is flushed.

Complicating the matter is that the city is already under a public advisory for having higher-than-acceptable levels of lead in some of its drinking water.

Berrien County Health Officer Nicki Britten said the

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Officials are recommending residents filter, then boil their drinking water after a failure at the Benton Harbor Water Filtration Plant.
Don Campbell / HP file photo

The count goes on – with Biden on the cusp of presidency

By JONATHAN LEMIRE, ZEKE MILLER, JILL COLVIN and WILL WEISSERT
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Democrat Joe Biden stood on the cusp of winning the presidency Friday night, three days after Election Day, as the long, exacting work of counting votes widened his lead over President Donald Trump in critical battleground states.

High turnout, a massive number of mail-in ballots and slim margins between the two candidates all contributed to the delay in naming a winner. But Biden held leads in Pennsylvania, Nevada and Georgia, putting him in an ever-stronger position to capture the 270 Electoral College votes needed to take the White House.

There was intense focus on Pennsylvania, where Biden led Trump by more than 27,000 votes, and Nevada, where the Democrat led by about 22,000. The prolonged wait added to the anxiety of a nation facing historic challenges, including the surging pandemic and deep political polarization.

Trump stayed in the White House and out of sight, as more results trickled in and expanded Biden's lead in must-win Pennsylvania. In the West Wing during the day, televisions remained tuned to the news amid trappings of normalcy, as reporters lined up for coronavirus tests and outdoor crews worked on the North Lawn on a mild, muggy fall day.

Biden, for his part, addressed the nation Friday night near his home in Wilmington, Delaware, and acknowledged the sluggish pace of the count "can be numbing." But he added, "Never forget the tallies aren't just numbers: They represent votes and voters."

He expressed confidence that victory ultimately would be his, saying, "The numbers tell us a clear and convincing story: We're going to win this race."

Standing alongside his running mate, Sen. Kamala Harris, and against a backdrop of flags, Biden wasn't able to give the acceptance speech his aides had hoped. But he hit notes of unity, seemingly aimed at cooling the temperature of a heated, divided nation.

"We have to remember the purpose of our politics isn't total unrelenting, unending warfare," he said. "No, the purpose of our politics, the work of our nation, isn't to fan the flames of conflict, but to

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BIDEN

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solve problems, to guarantee justice, to give everybody a fair shot."

Trump's campaign on Friday was mostly quiet – a dramatic difference from the day before, when officials held a morning call projecting confidence and then a flurry of press conferences announcing litigation in key states. But it was touched once again by the coronavirus pandemic.

Chief of staff Mark Meadows contracted the virus, according to two senior White House officials not authorized to publicly discuss private matters. A campaign aide, Nick Trainer, also tested positive.

Trump's handling of the pandemic has been the defining issue of the campaign. The president, first lady Melania Trump and several other members of the White House staff and Trump's campaign team have fallen ill.

A handful of states remained in play Friday evening – Georgia, North Carolina too early to call along with Pennsylvania and Nevada. In all four states the margins between Trump and Biden were too narrow and the number of ballots left to be counted too great for the AP to declare a victor.

In Pennsylvania, officials were not allowed to begin processing mail-in ballots until Election Day under state law. In Nevada, there were a number of provisional ballots cast by voters who registered on Election Day, and officials had to verify their eligibility. And recounts could be triggered in both Pennsylvania and Georgia.

With his pathway to reelection appearing to greatly narrow, Trump was testing how far he could go in using the trappings of presidential power to undermine confidence in the vote.

On Thursday, he advanced unsupported accusations of voter fraud to falsely argue that his rival was trying to seize power. It was an extraordinary effort by a sitting American president to sow doubt about the democratic process.

"This is a case when they are trying to steal an election, they are trying to rig an election," Trump said from the podium of the White House briefing room.

He took to Twitter late Friday to pledge further legal action, tweeting that "Joe Biden should not wrongfully claim the office of the President. I could make that claim also. Legal proceedings are just now beginning!"

Trump did claim that he won late on Election Night. He also tweeted that he had "such a big lead in all of these states late into election night, only to see the leads miraculously disappear as the days went by," although it was well known that votes cast before Tuesday were still being legally counted.

Biden spent Thursday trying to ease tensions and project a more traditional image of presidential leadership. After participating in a coronavirus briefing, he declared that "each ballot must be counted."

"I ask everyone to stay calm. The process is working," Biden said. "It is the will of the voters. No one, not anyone else who chooses the president of the United States of America."

Trump's erroneous claims about the integrity of the election challenged Republicans now faced with the choice of whether to break with a president who, though his grip on his office grew tenuous, commanded sky-high approval ratings from rank-and-file members of the GOP. That was especially true for those who are eyeing presidential runs of their own in 2024.

Maryland GOP Gov. Larry Hogan, a potential presidential hopeful who has often criticized Trump, said unequivocally: "There is no defense for the President's comments tonight undermining our Democratic process. America is counting the votes, and we must respect the results as we always have before."

But others who are rumored to be considering a White House run of their own in four years aligned themselves with the incumbent, including Sen. Josh Hawley, R-Mo., who tweeted support for Trump's claims, writing that "If last 24 hours have made anything clear, it's that we need new election integrity laws NOW."

Trump's campaign engaged in a flurry of legal activity, saying it would seek a recount in Wisconsin and had filed lawsuits in Pennsylvania, Michigan and Georgia.

On Friday evening, Supreme Court Justice Samuel Alito approved a GOP request ordering county boards to comply with state guidance to keep the late ballots separate from those received before or on Election Day. However, Alito did not direct election officials to stop counting the ballots, as the Republicans had also sought.

But judges in three states quickly swatted down legal action. A federal judge who was asked to stop vote counts in Philadelphia instead forced the two sides to reach an agreement without an order over the number of observers allowed.

"Really, can't we be responsible adults here and reach an agreement?" an exasperated U.S. District Judge Paul S. Diamond said during an emergency hearing Thursday evening. "The whole thing could (soon) be moot."

U-M tells students in dorms: Stay home during winter term

ANN ARBOR (AP) — The University of Michigan announced major steps Friday to reduce the number of students on campus for the winter term because of the coronavirus, telling families that housing contracts will be canceled.

The university said undergraduates living in residence halls should not return after the holidays but participate in online classes from home.

"The pandemic hasn't gone away, COVID-19 case numbers continue to increase in Michigan and around the nation, and the winter will bring new and likely greater challenges," President Mark Schlissel said.

Undergraduates who must live on campus will stay in single rooms, and weekly virus tests will be mandatory, the university said. The winter term starts on Jan. 19.

The steps were announced a day after the state health department reported 5,710 new confirmed cases in Michigan, the highest daily total.

In October, the Washtenaw County health officer told students to stay in place for two weeks due to a surge in local cases tied to social gatherings.

There are 5,300 undergraduates in dorms this fall, down 45 percent from a typical year, as the university encouraged students to stay home for online classes.

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Poker Lotto
3C-9D-2H-5H-4S
Midday Daily 3
2-5-2
Midday Daily 4
6-2-7-4
Daily 3
7-1-0
Daily 4
1-7-0-8
Fantasy 5
13-17-18-20-31
Keno
04-05-09-10-13-16-20-23-27-38-44-48-49-50-51-61-64-69-70-73-77-79
Mega Millions jackpot
$142 million
Powerball jackpot
$149 million

Thursday drawings

Indiana

Cash 5
06-09-19-26-28
Cash4Life
05-07-11-17-41, Cash Ball: 3
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Daily Three-Midday
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Daily Three-Evening
9-1-9, SB: 1
Daily Four-Midday
5-4-6-2, SB: 8
Daily Four-Evening
1-0-1-4, SB: 1
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LuckyDay Lotto Midday
10-14-33-35-37
Estimated jackpot
$350,000
Pick Three-Midday
9-2-0, Fireball: 2
Pick Three-Evening
7-8-1, Fireball: 1
Pick Four-Midday
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Pick Four-Evening
9-5-9-9, Fireball: 1
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WORKING

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Sometime in June, he and Holt gave workers the option of coming back to the office or continuing to work from home.

"About eight chose to come back. We set up dividers and brought in sanitizer and masks. That lasted about two weeks, then the governor said if you can work from home, you should," Bosse said.

Now that restrictions have been lifted, he said, "I think we'll take it on a case-by-case basis, as long as people are productive at home, we're not going to force people to come in. We have one new hire who joined us in June and has never met at least half the staff. We've always allowed a certain amount of remote work. We're very flexible. It's about getting the work done."

Bosse said the staff stays connected with virtual meetings every morning at 8:40.

Studies have shown that workers who like flexibility in their schedules prefer to work from home, while those who like strict boundaries between their professional and personal lives prefer to work in an office with co-workers.

A Global Workplace Analytics survey determined that most people would prefer a hybrid schedule, working two or three days from home and two or three days in the office. And employers have discovered there are benefits to allowing remote work.

Tech companies Twitter and Facebook have made announcements about permanent work from home. And Columbus, Ohio-based Nationwide Insurance has announced that it will close five regional offices because remote work has gone smoothly during the pandemic. The company said costs will be significantly lower with employees working from home, and those savings can be passed on to customers.

Workplace consultants have said the biggest holdback against remote work for the past 20 years has been that middle managers didn't trust their employees to work as efficiently.

But the Global Analytics survey showed that 77 percent of workers said they are fully productive working at home, and managers are largely satisfied with their work performance.

Eleanor Reece, senior communications director for Whirlpool Corp., said most of the company's 4,000 local employees are currently working from home. She said a very small population of lab technicians and engineers come in when needed.

"We quickly pivoted to that model starting in early March, not just here but globally as well. We've had a flexible work culture even before the pandemic. We want our employees to find what works best for them. Our top priority is keeping our employees safe," Reece said in a phone interview. "We know some like it better than others."

Reece said she just moved to the area and started working for Whirlpool in December. She said that using the many available online tools,

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Katie White spends time with her son while working from the converted basement office.

"I've actually met even more people than I otherwise would have."

She said the company has learned how to make work-from-home as easy as possible for employees.

"We've been able to perform well. We have leaders who have made the right decisions," Reece said.

Norma Tirado, senior vice president of Human Resources for Spectrum Health Lakeland, estimated that about one-fourth of Lakeland's employees are working from home.

"We have a lot of people working from home, but not as many as some because we have patients," she noted. She said the people working from home are in areas such as corporate, marketing, human resources, supplies and finance.

Tirado said she also works from home three to four days a week.

"Personally, I like it. But we've found that most people want a hybrid. They like the freedom and ability to work from anywhere," she said. "But some miss the interaction. Many liked it at first but now want to come in and see their colleagues."

Tirado said Lakeland is examining a continuation of the work-from-home culture beyond the pandemic and, "I think you'll see more companies doing that."

She said that in August, Lakeland sent a memo out to all employees in leadership roles, asking them to justify why their team members should come back into the office.

"It used to be we had to justify working from home. Now we want them to justify the opposite. A lot of our people are excited to continue to work remotely, at least part of the time," Tirado said.

She said Lakeland management checks in on employees frequently, and that an increased number are using the Employee Assistance Program.

"One of the most important things is to figure out what resources we can provide our team members, be mindful of their mental health, and check on them," Tirado said. "We need to find ways to connect other than just meetings."

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Berrien shatters COVID-19 records this week

Recoveries help balance out active cases

By ALEXANDRA NEWMAN
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BENTON TOWNSHIP — Berrien County shattered its record of new COVID-19 cases again this week.

The county recorded 465 new caseses, up from the 341 new cases recorded last week and the 220 recorded the week before that. The county also added about 45 new probable case this week.

This week, the county recorded three additional COVID-19 deaths, bringing the county's death toll to 86.

What helped even out this week's numbers are the 497 recoveries that were also recorded.

The Berrien County Health Department (BCHD) considers someone recovered once they have been released from isolation after having three days of no fever (without a fever-reducing medication) and improvement in respiratory symptoms, plus it's been at least 10 days since symptoms first appeared.

This helped keep the county's number of active cases to about 349 as of Friday. That's down from 384 last Friday.

So far, in total, the county has recorded 3,106 confirmed cases, 2,671 recoveries and 382 probable cases.

Spectrum Health Lakeland also reported a historically high number of COVID-19 inpatients Friday. There were 39 COVID-19 positive patients admitted, up from 37 on Thursday and 30 last Friday. About four of those patients were in the intensive care unit.

Health officials have said if this number continues to rise, the hospital system will run into capacity problems.

Van Buren/Cass

The Van Buren Cass District Health Department (VBCDHD) did not have updated COVID-19 figures Friday.

Based on last Friday to Thursday, Van Buren County gained 224 new COVID-19 cases. The previous week the county gained about 175.

Cass County gained 146 new cases from last Friday to Thursday. The previous week the county recorded about 131 new cases.

Van Buren County did not add any COVID-19 deaths this week, keeping the county's death toll at 18. Cass County added one death, bringing its death toll to 25.

In total, on Thursday, Van Buren County has had 1,305 cases of COVID-19, while Cass has had 1,122.

The VBCDHD also did not update its tally of recovered COVID-19 patients Friday, stating it would resume next week.

"We are sending a reminder today about the importance of wearing masks, continuing to social distance and avoiding social gatherings – especially with people outside of your household and if masking is not happening. These prevention measures are imperative to contain the spread in our district," the VBCDHD wrote.

Preparing for the holidays

Nicki Britten, Berrien County's health officer, told the Berrien County Board of Commissioners on Thursday that it is important for families to continue to take precautions over Thanksgiving.

"What we want to avoid is the second week of December having this huge glut of cases based on our Thanksgiving week activities," she said.

She said that people need to think through how they can celebrate Thanksgiving with extended family without spreading the virus.

"Maybe not everybody converges at one relative's (house), but maybe things happen in smaller groups," she said. "When with family indoors, it feels really awkward, I understand, but maybe continue to wear your mask in somebody else's house."

Britten said following the three W's is important – wearing face masks, washing your hands and watching your distance to other people.

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Officials are considering ways to reduce erosion near the south end of Silver Beach in St. Joseph, along with cleaning up the jagged debris that has been exposed.

Plan in works to address Silver Beach erosion

Dissette: Decision needed so work can get started

By LOUISE WREGE
HP Staff Writer

ST. JOSEPH — A possible solution is in the works to stop the erosion that threatens the sidewalk and roads at the south end of Silver Beach County Park in St. Joseph.

Members of the Berrien County Administration Committee on Thursday approved recommending a plan from Triple D Excavating in Eau Claire, which submitted the low base bid of $119,675.

"We're going to start losing infrastructure if we don't deal with this," Berrien County Administrator Brian Dissette told committee members.

High Lake Michigan water levels have already undermined the shade structure along Lake Street near Park Street, which has been roped off as unusable all summer.

Dissette said the proposal will now go before several other committees, including the county's Finance Committee, before the county board of commissioners is asked to consider it. He said the proposal is also expected to be considered by St. Joseph city commissioners, who may partner with the county in paying for the project.

The county owns Silver Beach County Park, while the city has an easement from Park Street to the lake.

Parks Director Brian Bailey said the compromised shade structure would be removed in the plan developed by Edgewater Resources in St. Joseph.

He said that the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy, along with the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers, have expedited the permitting process on an emergency basis. If all goes as planned, the work would be done by Dec. 15.

The project calls for removing much of the material that has been put in place to protect the shoreline in that area, and replacing it with stone.

"The current status of the rip rap ... has lots of hazardous material in there as far as rebar, sharp metal, all kinds of junk," Bailey said. "This project will address that issue."

About 250 feet north of the south end of the beach, he said Hesco barriers will be put in place to protect the shoreline.

"Those are temporary structures that will mitigate any wave action that we have this winter," he said. "This project is considered a temporary fix until we hire, develop and fund a permanent solution."

Dissette said Hesco barriers are metal-framed boxes with fabric liners that are filled with sand. He said they would be used on the flat portion of part of the beach to protect it.

The project is designed so that the new stone can be used in the permanent solution.

"We worked with Edgewater to come up with a plan that tries to maximize the long term benefits," he said. "... I think this plan makes a lot of sense."

He said the fix is expected to last two to five years. If the water levels in Lake Michigan recede by then, he said a more permanent fix may not be needed. However, the issue must immediately be addressed, he said.

"Last Sunday was the absolute illustration of why this needs to happen," Dissette said. "With the wave action, the wind action, the water was absolutely up into the areas where the Hesco barriers will be placed, as well as the new rocks."

Bailey said that Triple D Excavating people told him that they were able to bid so low because they had a couple of jobs on Lake Michigan postponed, leaving them with materials ready to go.

"That was their reasoning for how their bid came in much lower than the other two," he said.

The other two bids were for $177,040 and $192,850.

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Whirlpool donates $1M to Lakeland surgery center

Whirlpool name will go on the center

By HP STAFF

ST. JOSEPH — A portion of the new Lakeland Medical Center Pavilion in St. Joseph will soon be named the Whirlpool Surgery Center.

The appliance manufacture recently donated $1 million to fund the center, according to a news release from Spectrum Health Lakeland.

The surgery center features 12 state-of-the-art operating rooms including four general surgery rooms, two robotic surgery rooms, two orthopedic rooms, two neurosurgery rooms, one cardiac room and one trauma surgery room.

Operating rooms in the new space increased in size and feature a new ventilation system. The space also includes four heart catheter labs for electrophysiology and interventional radiology procedures.

Phase 1 of the project opened in March, while Phase 2, which includes 80,000 square feet of renovated space, is currently underway.

To date, over 500 community members, Lakeland team members and area organizations have donated nearly $6.9 million in support of the pavilion.

"Over the last several decades, and most recently during the COVID-19 pandemic, Spectrum Health Lakeland and Whirlpool Corp. have come together in support of community members in Southwest Michigan," hospital officials wrote in the release.

In April, Whirlpool Corp. donated several shipments of critical medical supplies including tens of thousands of medical masks, gloves, thermometers, and hospital gowns to Lakeland.

"Our ability to safely respond to the COVID-19 pandemic and offer quality, top decile surgical care is thanks in large part to the generosity of our friends at Whirlpool Corp.," Loren Hamel, president of Spectrum Health Lakeland, said in the news release. "We are incredibly grateful for their continued partnership over the years as we work together to enhance health and save lives here in Southwest Michigan."

Marc Bitzer, chairman and CEO of Whirlpool Corp., said the corporation is pleased to offer its assistance for the new pavilion and procurement of critical medical supplies.

"More importantly, the shared commitment to the community by both of our organizations and our employees makes Southwest Michigan a special place to live," he said.

For more information about Lakeland's new pavilion, visit spectrumhealthlakeland.org/pavilion.

St. Joseph still seeking input on parks

By JULIE SWIDWA
HP Staff Writer

ST. JOSEPH — It's not too late for residents to share their opinions and ideas regarding what they would like to see in the way of improvements at St. Joseph city-owned parks.

Suzanne Fromson, landscape architect with Edgewater Resources, said the input will be used in developing the St. Joseph Parks & Recreation Master Plan update. Edgewater Resources is the design and planning firm that will be producing the plan.

Fromson said the survey, originally set to close at the end of October, has now been extended through the middle of November and is available online at www.surveymonkey.com/r/MK953W6.

Input from the survey will help shape priorities for parks and recreation improvements over the next 5 years and beyond, Fromson said.

A draft Master Plan will be presented to the public in early December. Anyone who would like to receive project updates and meeting reminders should take the survey and share an email address at the end, or email project manager Fromson at sfromson@edgewaterresources.com.

Parks within the city include Tiscornia Park, West Basin Marine, Lake Bluff Park, Upton Arboretum, Whirlpool Centennial Park, Old St. Joseph Neighborhood Park, Point Park, Howard Family Trail, Lions Park, Kiwanis Park, Dickinson Park, MIlton Park, Lookout Park, Whittlesey Park, Tiny Tots Park and Riverview Park.

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IN BRIEF

Online community forum set

The Berrien County ALPACT and Interfaith Action of SWMi will sponsor a Community Forum on Racism, Justice and Law Enforcement on Tuesday evening, according to a news release.

The event will be held via Zoom, running from 6-7:30 p.m.

Local law enforcement officials from the Berrien County Sheriff's Office, Michigan State Police and local police departments will discuss their past, present and future efforts to address racism and justice in the local law enforcement systems. The forum is free and open to the public.

To register, interested individuals should send an email to: alpactsouthwest@gmail.com.

GoFundMe set up for fire victims

A GoFundMe fundraiser has been set up to help with funeral expenses for a mother and two children who died in a house fire Sunday.

Amanda (Dortch) Hackney, 30, Markese Dortch, 15, and Sha'tari Razor, 12, died in the fire at 185 Bellview in Benton Harbor. The surviving husband and stepfather, Mark Hackney, 38, was injured and suffered smoke inhalation, but survived after jumping out a second-story window.

To view the GoFundMe page and donate, go to https://gf.me/v/c/cfd3/the-dortch-razor-amp-hackney-family-memorial-fund.

New phone number for Hartford library

HARTFORD — The Hartford Public Library has a new phone number, according to library officials.

To reach the library, call 269-588-5103. The fax number remains the same: 269-621-3073.

In addition, the email is: hartfordlib@yahoo.com.

Niles Courthouse to reopen Monday

NILES — The Niles Courthouse will again be operational on Monday, by appointment, according to Berrien County court officials. All hearings and services which were redirected to the St. Joseph location will return to Niles at that time.

The court was temporarily closed this week due to a COVID-19 related issue.

Additionally, the Trial Court has created a dashboard on its website for the public to check the availability of a particular division of the court at any time. Visit the website at https://www.berriencounty.org/1058/Trial-Court, to review prior to any scheduled court appearances, or prior to attempting to come to the courthouse locations.

The Trial Court remains in Phase 2 of the Return to Full Capacity Plan, and therefore is only open by appointment. If you have questions about your case, the court recommends that you contact the number listed on the website for that division.

OBITUARIES

Ralph H. Rausch

Aug. 3, 1950 – Nov. 1, 2020

Ralph H. Rausch, formerly of Coloma passed away Sunday, Nov. 1, 2020, at Aperion Care in Princeton, Ill.

Ralph was born on Aug. 3, 1950, in Munich, Germany, the son of a lifelong military man, Henry Rausch, and Mary Frances (Graff) Rausch.

He held two bachelor's degrees: one in history and one in psychology from Southern Illinois University.

He married Lynne Anderson, of Princeton, on May 25, 2003, at the First United Methodist Church in St Joseph, after which time they resided in Michigan.

After leaving his position as a department director at Gateway Services in Princeton, he took a position as project director for AARP's Senior Community Employment Program in Southwest Michigan, retiring in 2015.

Ralph was a World War II enthusiast, a subject he was incredibly knowledgeable about. He enjoyed watching the History Channel, National Geographic and PBS.

He loved to travel; and his childhood, job, and life took him many places and enabled him to see nearly every state in the United States. He enjoyed the challenge of putting together models of military sea and aircraft.

Spending time with family was his first love, and in December 2019, he moved with his wife back to Princeton in order to be near children and grandchildren.

Ralph is survived by his wife, Lynne, of 17 years; his children: Mary Rausch of Springfield, Ill., Sarah (Dan) Tucker of Monument, Colo., Jacob Rausch of Utica, Ill., Laurel (Steve) Ciesielski of Princeton, and Daniel (Heidi) Anderson of Princeton; 10 grandchildren; one sister, Jacqueline (James) Carrow of La Salle, Ill.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and two children in infancy.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, Friends of Strays, Princeton, Ill., or Gateway Services, Princeton, Ill.

Private graveside services will be held for family only. Online condolences and memorials may be directed to www.norbergfh.com. Arrangements by Norberg Memorial Home & Monuments.

Lukas Charles Strain

April 17, 2003 – Oct. 8, 2020

Lukas Charles Strain, 17, of Stevensville went to meet his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, Thursday, Oct. 8, 2020, in South Bend.

A celebration of life service will be Saturday, Nov. 14, at the First Church of God, 2627 Niles Ave., St. Joseph, with the Rev. William Shepard officiating. To view Lukas's service live beginning at 11 a.m. Saturday, go to wwww.myfirstchurch.com and look for the YouTube link.

The funeral service can be live-streamed beginning at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 7, at "Https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCHBQKdULWGNZwdvwcaeJ3Pw?view_as=subscriber".

Friends may visit with the Family from 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 13, also at the church.

Masks and social distancing will be required for both visitation and services. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to The Lukas Strain Memorial Scholarship Fund, c/o The Lakeshore Excellence Foundation https://www.lefonline.org/donate.

Those wishing to sign Lukas's memory book online may do so at www.starks-menchinger.com.

Lukas was born April 17, 2003, in St. Joseph, to Jeffery and Christine (Timm) Strain. Lukas was currently a senior at Lakeshore High School where he was a member of the National Honor Society, the Key Club, the Math/Science Club, the Lakeshore Mentoring Program and the Lakeshore soccer team.

Lukas was also a member of the First Church of God. In his free time he enjoyed being outdoors, sailing, scuba diving and snow skiing. He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Lukas is survived by his parents: Jeff and Christine; his brother, Nathan Strain of Stevensville; his grandmothers: Joyce Timm of Portage, Mich., and Wilma Strain of Coloma; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

Lukas was preceded in death by his grandfathers: Charles Timm and Loyd Strain.

Rose McCourt

Rose Ellen Patton McCourt was born on Oct. 21, 1925, in rural, central North Dakota, fifth of six children born to Pat and Alice Patton.

Educated in a rural school, then a small-town high school, she loved sports, including playing on the state championship basketball team in 1942. She graduated from high school at 17 and began her teaching career in a rural school. She continued to teach and attend college, graduating from Colorado State College with a master's degree. Her summers were spent working in Yellowstone Park. Her 25 year teaching career led her to North Dakota, Montana, California, Massachusetts and Michigan, serving her last 15 years in Benton Harbor area schools.

She married Tom McCourt on Dec. 29, 1956. They were blessed with six children: Kathleen McCourt, Tim McCourt, Mary (Dave) Waaso, Patrick (Dorinda) McCourt, Colleen (Will) Hren, and Maureen (Scott) McRae. She leaves grandchildren: Andrew (Becca), Skyler (Jodie), Kale, Brodie (Cindy) and Peyton Waaso, Margaret, Thomas, Henry and James McCourt, Jacob (Kari) and Sarah (Jason Rose) Durham, Jameson (Nicole), Haley, and Kelly McRae, along with Amber Testini, Kymberli, Mackenzie and Michaela Nichols, and many great-grandchildren.

She was a volunteer at the Readiness Center, Habitat for Humanity, Hospice and an extraordinary minister for the homebound.

Wintering in Arizona was a big part of her retired years, as was running. She competed in races including Senior Olympics though the age of 90.

Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated at St. Bernard's Catholic Church, 555 Delaware, Benton Harbor, her parish for over 50 years, at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 10. Daily mass was an important part of her life as was keeping up her backyard grotto.

Memorial contributions may be made to Lake Michigan Catholic Schools, 915 Pleasant St., St. Joseph; the Readiness Center, 347 Catalpa Ave., Benton Harbor; or Birthright, 2700 Niles Ave., St. Joseph.

Those wishing to leave an online condolence may do so at www.starks-menchinger.com. Arrangements have been entrusted to Starks & Menchinger Chapel & Cremation Services.

Doris Ludwig

March 23, 1945 – Oct. 8, 2020

Doris Sue Ludwig, 75, of Buchanan quietly left us on Oct. 8, 2020, while under hospice care in Niles.

Doris is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey (Opal) Rusch. Doris was born in Berrien Center, on March 23, 1945.

Doris enjoyed spending time outdoors, vacationing in the Upper Peninsula, and spending time with her children and grandchildren.

Doris was proceeded in death by her parents: Godfrey and Opal Rusch; husband, Archie Ludwig; and brothers: Larry Rusch and Roger Rusch.

Doris's life will live on through the lives and memories of her brother, Denny (Joyce) Rusch; children: Joey (Nicole) Ludwig, Brian (Shannon) Wiatrolik, Shelley Wiatrolik, Stacy (Larry) Wiatrolik, and Jessica (John) Ludwig-Bennett; as well as her grandchildren: Jennifer Wiatrolik, Jessica Wiatrolik, Chase Ziegler, Alexis Ludwig, Alex DeGraff, Zane DeGraff, James Wiatrolik, Raina Wiatrolik, and Luke Wiatrolik.

A small memorial was held at the residence of the late Mr. and Mrs. Archie (Doris) Ludwig, amongst family members, celebrating Doris's life and sharing memories.

Carol Gardner Handy

March 18, 1929 – Oct. 18, 2020

Carol Gardner Handy, 91, passed away on Oct. 18, 2020, in Hampton Conn., where she lived with her eldest daughter, Christine.

Carol was born in 1929, is survived by children: Rick, Chris, Mary, Julia and Jack; 12 grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren.

Carol's husband, Claire E. Handy, died in 1973.

Carol was raised in Benton Harbor by Jack and Sylvia Cooper Gardner.

Though an only child, she spent most days playing with her first cousin, Robert Gardner, whom her children came to know as Uncle Bobby.

Longtime residents of the area, the Gardner family was connected to several local businesses including the round Oak Stove company of Dowagiac.

An avid writer and reader, she could often be found in her office. She wrote almost every day for most of her life, completing several books of poetry, historical fiction and the children's book "The Dragons of Rizvania," for which she is perhaps best known.

Carol was dedicated to her faith, and took an active role in the Baha'i community of west Michigan, including serving as an assistant to the Auxiliary Board for many years.

Beginning in the early 1970s, she gave countless talks about the faith to those who wished to learn, and later helped many new burgeoning communities.

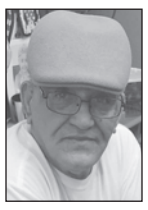
She also served the Baha'i community as a travel teacher, and writer in West Africa, the Falkland Islands, Wilmette, Ill., and in Haifa, Israel.

In her advanced years she retained a sharp mind, publishing her first full length novel in her 80s. She was treasured for her encyclopedic knowledge of Christian and Baha'i scripture, as well as her sparkling gaze, and occasionally, a slightly naughty sense of humor.

Carol will be dearly missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing her.

David Cruz Sr.

June 14, 1948 – Oct. 31, 2020



David Joseph Cruz Sr. was born June 14, 1948, in Columbia City, Ind., the son of Ismael and Martina (Bueno) Cruz.

David passed away suddenly at the age of 72 on Saturday, Oct. 31, 2020, at his home in Lawrence.

David was a truck driver by trade and drove for the Heinz Corporation. He liked to go fishing with his wife, Juana, but most importantly was spending with his loving family, which consists of his nine children: David Jr. (Irma) Cruz of Watervliet, Alicia (David) Reyes of Bangor, Cris (Belen) Cruz of Lawrence, Angel Cruz of Texas, Linda (Rick) Cruz-Merritt of Lawrence, Juan (Jasmine) Cruz of Lawrence, Santos (Jami) Cruz of Hartford, Blanca (Federico) Frausto of New York and Rocky (Cassandra) Cruz of Hartford; his 31 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren. David is also survived by his mother, Martina Cruz; four brothers: Ismael Cruz, Victor Cruz, Jose Cruz and Tomas Cruz and three sisters: Wendy Garza, Ramona Trevino and Virginia Trevino.

David was preceded in passing by his wife, Juana, on Nov., 23, 2019; two children: Cristobal and Francisco; his father, Ismael; a sister, Antonia Cruz; and a brother, Eulogio Cruz.

Due to restrictions in place, a graveside celebration of life service to honor David's memory will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 7, in Hill Cemetery Lawrence Township, Mich. Pastor Rocky Medrano will officiate. The Calvin Funeral Home of Hartford is assisting the family with arrangements. Please feel free to leave expressions of sympathy for the family on our website at www.calvin-leonardfh.com.

Steven Rydecki

June 30, 1956 – Nov. 5, 2020

Steven James Rydecki, 64, of Riverside, Mich., passed away Nov. 5, 2020, at home surrounded by his loving family.

A celebration of life will be at at 11 a.m. at Watervliet Free Methodist Church on Wednesday, Nov. 11, with Pastor Brian Hall officiating. Those wishing to leave a memory of Steven may do so at www.purelycremations.org.

Steven James Rydecki was born in Benton Harbor to Frank Rydecki and Edna James on June 30, 1956.

He married his loving wife Eloise (Rickman) on April 24, 1976.

Steven worked in armed security for Palisades Nuclear Plant until his retirement in 2013. Steven regularly attended Watervliet Free Methodist Church. He enjoyed being outdoors, mowing, and time spent with his grandchildren.

Steven in preceded in death by his parents: Frank and Edna; his daughter, Tracy, and his granddaughter, Annica.

Steven is survived by his wife, Eloise; daughters: Brandy Lewis and Angela Schoenhofer; grandchildren: Caleb, Kylee, and Savannah, as well as Liam, his great-grandson.

In lieu of flowers the family asks that donations are made to Caring Circle Hospice or Southwestern Michigan Cancer Center.

Death notices

Bette J. Borkowski, 87, died Nov. 4, 2020, in Cascade, Mich. O'Brien-Eggebeen-Gerst Funeral Home, Grand Rapids, 616-949-7350.

Arthur Bowman, 93, of Cassopolis died Nov. 5, 2020, at Memorial Hospital. Brown Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Niles, 683-1155.

David Cruz Sr., 72, of Lawrence died Oct. 31, 2020. Calvin-Leonard Funeral Home, Hartford, 621-4101.

Betty Cullison, 88, of Berrien Springs died Sept. 28, 2020. Pobocik Chapel, Wagner Family Funerals, Three Oaks, 756-3831.

Diane Davis, 67, of Benton Harbor died Nov. 5, 2020, at home. Robbins Brothers Funeral Home, Benton Harbor, 927-3181.

Jimmie Dortch, 63, of Benton Harbor died Nov. 4, 2020, in Benton Harbor. Robbins Brothers Funeral Home, Benton Harbor, 927-3181.

Markese Dortch, 15, of Benton Harbor died Nov. 1, 2020, in Benton Harbor. Robbins Brothers Funeral Home, Benton Harbor, 927-3181.

Dorothy L. (Kepp) Duschek, 90, of St. Joseph died Nov. 5, 2020. Starks and Menchinger Chapel, St. Joseph, 556-9450.

Linda Fleming, 77, of Benton Harbor died Nov. 4, 2020, at Lakeland Medical Center, St. Joseph. Robbins Brothers Funeral Home, Benton Harbor, 927-3181.

Paulette Fredricks, 58, of Hartford died Nov. 3, 2020. Calvin-Leonard Funeral Home, Hartford, 621-4101.

Amanda Hackney, 30, of Benton Harbor died Nov. 1, 2020, in Benton Harbor. Robbins Brothers Funeral Home, Benton Harbor, 927-3181.

Carol Handy, 91, died Oct. 18, 2020, in Hampton, Conn. Gilman Funeral Home, Putnam, Conn., 860-928-7723

Gary Alan Little, 68, of Benton Harbor died Nov. 5, 2020, at Lakeland Medical Center, St. Joseph. Starks & Menchinger Chapel, St. Joseph, 556-9450.

Doris Ludwig, 75, of Buchanan died Oct. 8, 2020. Hoven Funeral Home, Buchanan, 695-2363.

Richard Neubauer, 85, of Benton Harbor died Oct. 23, 2020. Brown Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Niles, 683-1155.

Sha'tari Razor, 12, of Benton Harbor died Nov. 1, 2020, in Benton Harbor. Robbins Brothers Funeral Home, Benton Harbor, 927-3181.

Steven Rydecki, 64, of Riverside, Mich., died Nov. 5, 2020. Purely Cremations – Starks Family Funeral Homes & Cremation Services, Benton Harbor, 926-9440.

Janice Schuelke, 63, of Niles died Nov. 4, 2020. Halbritter-Wickens Funeral Home, Niles, 683-3000.

Lukas Charles Strain, 17, of Stevensville died Oct. 8, 2020, in South Bend. Starks & Menchinger Chapel and Cremation Services, St. Joseph, 556-9450.

Richard Neubauer

Feb. 14, 1935 – Oct. 23, 2020

Richard Edward Neubauer, 85, of Benton Harbor passed away at Caretel Inns of Lakeland, St. Joseph on Friday, Oct. 23, 2020, a mere 27 days after his wife, Elvern.

Richard was born on Feb. 14, 1935, in Benton Harbor to the late Edward and Helen (Weber) Neubauer.

After graduating from Benton Harbor High School, Richard enlisted in the U.S. Army, and had training in Colorado Springs, Colo. It was there that he met and fell in love with Elvern Haag. On Aug. 5, 1956, Elvern and Richard said "I do."

Their time together in Colorado Springs was short, as Richard got stationed in Germany, and Elvern gladly joined him. They started their family in Germany with the birth of their eldest, Kaye. After moving to Michigan, the family continued to grow with the addition of Mark, Cathy and Thomas.

Richard was a tool and die maker for many years, and took pride in his work. He strived to better himself in all aspects of life, as illustrated by his many diplomas and certificates. In the Army, he was recognized for his ability to work on helicopters, as well as his efforts to keep the 8th Infantry Division safe and clean. In his work, he completed specialized training in machine tool set-up, and proved his hard-working attitude by completing his apprenticeship while still in high school.

Richard enjoyed his time outdoors, whether that was bicycling, hunting or fishing. But first and foremost, he was a family man who loved being surrounded by his children and grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 64 years, Elvern; his parents; his son, Thomas Neubauer; his grandson, Jason Franklin; his son-in-law, Harold Krassner; and siblings: Betty, Doris, Helen and Donald.

Richard will be missed by his children: Kaye Krassner of Colorado Springs, Mark (Kelly) Neubauer of Lansing, and Cathy Franklin of Cibolo, Texas; daughter-in-law, Colleen Neubauer of New Buffalo; grandchildren: Aimee Neubauer, Max Neubauer, Jesse Neubauer, Amanda Franklin, Nicholas Franklin, Amber Franklin, and Jackson Neubauer; great-grandchildren: Emilia First and Zaelyn Franklin; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, extended family members and friends.

Richard will be laid to rest with Elvern at Crystal Springs Cemetery in Benton Harbor at a later time.

Condolences may be left for the family at www.BrownFuneralHomeNiles.com. Arrangements entrusted to Brown Funeral Home, Niles.

Betty Cullison

Betty Cullison, 88, of Berrien Springs died peacefully Monday, Sep. 28, 2020.

Family and friends will gather Nov. 14, from 11 a.m. until time of service at noon in Woodland Shores Baptist Church, 3555 Shawnee Road, Bridgman, Michigan 49106.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Pobocik Chapel Wagner Family Funerals, Three Oaks. Please share a memory or a message and read full obituary online: wagnercares.com.

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BERRIEN COUNTY TRIAL COURT

Sentences
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Home invasion

Arron D. Bogan, 24, of Brownway, Benton Harbor, 106 months to 30 years in prison, credit for 461 days served, $198 in costs and $256 in restitution for first-degree home invasion; and three terms of 28-90 months, consecutive to count one, for carrying a concealed weapon, possession of a firearm by a felon and possession of weapons/ammunition by a felon July 30, 2019, at a house in Sodus Township.

Weapons violation

Thomas C. Lowe, 38, of Allegan, 10 days in jail, $198 in costs and forfeiture of a revolver for attempted possession of a firearm by a felon Sept. 2 in Coloma Township; and a consecutive term of 16 months to 2 years and $198 in costs for tampering with an electronic device, removing a jail tether, July 5 in Coloma Township.

Assaulting/resisting police

Dangelo D. Martin, 29, of Detroit, 1-2 years in jail, credit for 56 days served, and $198 in costs for assaulting/resisting and obstructing Watervliet Police Officer Joshua Allen Sept. 7 in Watervliet.

SKYDIVE

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WWI soldier and "missing man" base jump from the 217-foot Liberty Memorial Tower in honor of POW-MIAs.

Vergon, a sergeant, served in the Marine Corps for three years, where he was stationed in Korea from 1952-55.

Born and raised in Buchanan, Vergon comes from a military family. He and his three brothers all served in the Marines.

Among his three brothers, one was stationed in the South Pacific during World War II, while the other two also served during the Korean War.

"With three brothers in (the Marines), what else would I do?" Vergon said. "I was in the National Guard when I was a junior in high school before I enlisted with the Marines."

Vergon returned to Korea as a civilian in the 1970s when he was an export sales manager for a Benton Harbor business.

He described the feeling of the return as surreal and "unbelievable."

While Vergon is used to spending his Veterans Day celebrating those who served the country, at Buchanan's American Legion, he'll instead do it jumping from a plane, and in the national spotlight.

Vergon said the most common question he's gotten this week has been, "Who in the world would jump from an airplane that's still flying?"

"I'm very excited about it. I don't have a bucket list, so to speak," he said. "I think it's a once-in-a-life-time situation to take advantage of."

The actual jump will take place early Wednesday morning. However, Vergon has several other activities planned on the days leading up to the jump.

He said he intends to fly to Kansas City on Sunday, accompanied by his wife.

Vergon said he doesn't know the altitude he will be jumping from, and hasn't been given training or done any preparation for the skydive yet.

"I just got to hang on I guess," he said.

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WATER

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health department started issuing water filters and cartridges free of charge almost two years ago to remove the lead from the water.

"These filters continue to be incredibly important for residents, particularly during this time when there's been a boil water advisory issued," she said.

The problem is that boiling water concentrates the presence of lead in the water.

"Water needs to be continued to be filtered through a certified filter ... or it needs to be flushed for 5 minutes to reduce the risk of lead contamination," Britten said. "This filtered or flushed water then should be boiled for 1 minute to reduce the risk of a bacterial contamination in the water."

Water should be filtered, then boiled, if it is being used for drinking, making ice, washing dishes, preparing food or brushing teeth.

Britten said the water does not have to be filtered and boiled for washing hands, bathing or for laundry.

She said it's important for people to continue to wash their hands frequently due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Once residents are notified that the boil water order is lifted, she said they need to replace the cartridges in their water filters because the bacteria shortens the life span of the filters. She said residents can receive free cartridges in one of three ways:

- going between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday to the Berrien County Health Department, 2149 E. Napier Ave., Benton Harbor;
- calling the Water Response Hotline at 1-800-815-5485 to have the cartridges mailed to them;
- going to the new Spectrum Health Lakeland Center for Better Health at 100 W. Main St., Benton Harbor. Hours can be found by calling 408-2258 or online at www.shlcenterforbetterhealth.org.

For more information, contact City Manager Ellis Mitchell by calling 927-8400, or emailing emichtell@bhcity.us.

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OBITUARIES

Dorothy (Kepp) Duschek

Sept. 5, 1930 – Nov. 5, 2020

Dorothy L. (Kepp) Duschek, 90, of St. Joseph passed away Thursday, Nov. 5, 2020, at her home.

A celebration of life service will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 11, at Starks & Menchinger Chapel, 2650 Niles Road., St. Joseph, with the Rev. Michael Roth officiating. Burial will follow at Spring Run Cemetery in St. Joseph.

Friends may visit with the family from 4 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 10, at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the Berrien County Youth Fair-Dog Dept., or Trinity Lutheran Church-St. Joseph. Those wishing to sign Dorothy's memory book online may do so at www.starks-menchinger.com.

Dorothy was born Sept. 5, 1930, in Benton Harbor to Herman and Molly (Behnke) Kepp.

She graduated from Benton Harbor High School, class of 1949.

On Feb. 4, 1961, she married Rudolph "Rudy" Duschek Jr., in St. Joseph.

Dorothy was employed by Whirlpool Corp. for 43 years, retiring in 1996 from the IT Department. She enjoyed going out to breakfast and lunch with her fellow retirees. Dorothy was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church in St. Joseph, the Hummel Club and the German Club. In her free time, she enjoyed gardening, reading and collecting Hummels.

Dorothy leaves behind her son, Joseph R. (Julia) Duschek; and her beloved granddaughter, Heather M. Duschek, all of St. Joseph; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Rudy, on March 14, 2019; her parents; her siblings and spouses: Bessie (Harvey) Gross, Henry (Margaret) Kipp, Elsie (Jack) Baiers, Herb (Angie) Kipp, Marie (Harold) Ast, Tillie Reisig, Albert Kepp, Edward Kepp; and her canine companions: Snickers, Pixie, Robin, Tootsie, Topsie and Snookie.

Bette J. Borkowski

Bette J. Borkowski, 87, passed away Wednesday, Nov. 4, 2020, in Cascade, Mich.

She loved her family and had great memories of life on the farm and her pets. Bette played basketball and tennis in high school.

She is survived by her husband of 69 years, Steve Borkowski; son, Marc (Gillian) Borkowski; brother-in-law, Nick (Leeanne) Borkowski; sister-in-law, Rosemary Immoos; and many nieces and nephews.

Due to COVID-19, private services will be held by the family. Memorial contributions can be made to the Humane Society, 3077 Wilson Drive NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49534.

Paulette Fredricks

May 17, 1962 – Nov. 3, 2020

Paulette Sue Fredricks, 58, of Hartford passed away Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2020, at home.

Paulette was born May 17, 1962, the daughter of Buford and Eathel (Wilkerson) Roetzel, both of whom precede her in passing.

Paulette was formerly employed at McDonald's in Hartford. She was an easy-going person, who loved gardening and tending to her flowers. But, most importantly, she loved the time spent with her family, especially the moments with her grandchildren.

Paulette is survived by her husband, Robert Fredricks Jr.; a son, Robert III (Lyndzea) Fredricks; a grandson, Gunner; a granddaughter, Adi Sue; and several brothers and sisters, other family members and friends.

The family will welcome friends from 5 to 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 7, at the Calvin Funeral Home, Hartford, where the service to honor her memory will commence at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 8, with Pastor Lonnie Truelove officiating. Private committal services will take place at Maple Hill Cemetery, Hartford. In lieu of flowers, memorial condolences may be made to the family. Those wishing to leave memorial condolences for the family may do so at www.calvin-leonardfh.com.

Jean Crandle Schmoeller

July 15, 1926 – Oct. 26, 2020

Jean Crandle Schmoeller, 94, a former resident of St. Joseph died peacefully Oct. 26, 2020, in California.

Jean was born in Chicago on July 15, 1926, to Earl and Mae Crandle (nee Beal).

She excelled in piano as a child and joined The Austin Academy of Fine Arts at the age of 13, and was an organist of the General Assembly & Choir throughout high school.

After graduation from Austin High School in 1944, she set her sights on singing, and after studying for seven years, went on to solo in Austin Choral Club's presentation of "The Messiah," and in the "Tales of Hoffman" and "Rigoletto," both at Chicago's Grant Park.

Jean won first place as a lyric soprano in the Chicagoland Music Festival in 1950, performed on Chicago Theater of the Air. Jean's passion and love for music was never ending and lives on today in her children.

Left to treasure precious moments of Jean are her daughters: Stephanie White, Melanie Russell and Bethanie Schmoeller; a son, Garrett Schmoeller; six grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren; and her nieces: Carol and Arlene.

Per Jean's wishes she has been cremated and a celebration of her life will be arranged for family and friends at a later date.

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MARRIAGE LICENSES

ST. JOSEPH – The following marriage licenses have been issued by Berrien County Clerk Sharon Tyler.

Abby Marie Bishop and Matthew John Fohs, both of Benton Harbor.

Hanna Rebekah Griffith of Dublin, Ohio and Juan Jorge Suarez of Berrien Springs.

Terra Sue Ickes and Kevin Thomas King, both of St. Joseph.

Ashely Sue Miller and Casey Earl Couch, both of Niles.

Tiannia Monique Romero and Dillon Michael Lackey, both of St. Joseph.

Ericka Marie Taylor and Deara Corbin-Lafayette Rockette Sr., both of Bridgman.

Mariette Gale Strauss and Brendan Patrick Hoelmer, both of New York.

Linda Marshell Williams and Andrew Atkins Jr., both of Benton Harbor.

BIRTHS

Lakeland Medical Center – St. Joseph

Benton Harbor – Boy, 6 pounds 4 ounces, Tanya Burton and Timothy Napier Jr., 6:48 a.m. Nov. 6.

Benton Harbor – Girl, 5 pounds, 14 ounces, Skylar and Kyler Kleindienst, 7:28 p.m. Nov. 2.

Benton Harbor – Girl, 7 pounds, 13 ounces, Ivy Niederberger and Joe Lodgga, 6:35 a.m. Oct. 30.

Benton Harbor – Boy, 8 pounds, 5 ounces, Angel Williams, 10:44 a.m. Nov. 6.

Berrien Springs – Girl, 7 pounds, 1 ounce, Vanja and Tommy Panigot, 5:34 p.m. O ct. 27.

Coloma – Girl, 7 pounds, 2 ounces, Hanna and Zachery Olson, 4:40 p.m. Nov. 2.

Eau Claire – Boy, 6 pounds, 8 ounces, Alissa Nesbitt and Tyler Bradshaw, 4:25 a.m. Nov. 4.

St. Joseph – Boy, 10 pounds, 4 ounces, Rebecca and Ryan Buurstra, 9:54 a.m. Oct. 29.

Watervliet – Boy, 8 pounds, 4 ounces Amanda and Shawn Long, 4:57 a.m. Nov. 6.

Lakeland Medical Center – Niles

Dowagiac – Boy, 7 pounds, 13 ounces, Ashley M. Clark and Gary A. Wilds, 10:30 p.m. Oct. 24.

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★ Financial assistance thru the Michigan Veterans Trust Fund for wartime veterans or peacetime veterans who earned an expeditionary medal (additional means tested restrictions apply).

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1995 – 25 years ago

The Berrien County Tobacco Reduction Coalition and the area chapter of the American Cancer Society will conduct "The Great Tobacco Gear Exchange" on Nov. 16 at The Orchards Mall. At the exchange, people can change clothing, hats, lighters and other items with tobacco company logos for items with a "healthy, tobacco-free message," said John Nelson, coalition coordinator. The event will be in conjunction with the Great American Smokeout.

1985 – 35 years ago

The Herald-Palladium has received The Associated Press Managing Editors Citation for 1985 news contributions. It is the 11th year The Herald-Palladium has won a citation – more than any other AP member – since the awards were instituted in 1969. The citation was the ninth consecutive for The Herald-Palladium. The Herald-Palladium was one of five newspapers in Michigan to be cited for news.

1970 – 50 years ago

A glittering display of snowmobiles, the sensational vehicle that has revolutionized winter sports, will be lined up on the bluff in St. Joseph on Friday and Saturday. More than 50 of the rubber-tracked vehicles will be assembled to give sharp impact to "The Many Warm Ways of Winter," a promotion sponsored by St. Joseph merchants to introduce winter items to their customers. It will be the largest single display of snowmobiles this area has ever seen.

TODAY IN HISTORY

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Saturday, Nov. 7, the 312th day of 2020. There are 54 days left in the year.

Highlight in history:

On Nov. 7, 1967, Carl Stokes was elected the first Black mayor of a major city – Cleveland, Ohio.

On this date:

In 1867, Nobel Prize-winning scientist Marie Curie was born in Warsaw.

In 1944, President Franklin D. Roosevelt won an unprecedented fourth term in office, defeating Republican Thomas E. Dewey.

In 1962, Richard M. Nixon, having lost California's gubernatorial race, held what he called his "last press conference," telling reporters, "You won't have Nixon to kick around anymore."

In 1972, President Richard Nixon was re-elected in a landslide over Democrat George McGovern.

In 1973, Congress overrode President Richard Nixon's veto of the War Powers Act, which limits a chief executive's power to wage war without congressional approval.

In 2001, the Bush administration targeted Osama bin Laden's multi-million-dollar financial networks, closing businesses in four states, detaining U.S. suspects and urging allies to help choke off money supplies in 40 nations.

In 2009, in a victory for President Barack Obama, the Democratic-controlled House narrowly passed, 220-215, landmark health care legislation to expand coverage to tens of millions lacking it and place tough new restrictions on the insurance industry.

5-Day Forecast for St. Joseph

Today	Tonight	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Sunny	Clear	Mostly Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Chance T-storms	Partly Cloudy
70°	51°	69° / 57°	68° / 58°	66° / 43°	50° / 38°

Local Outlook

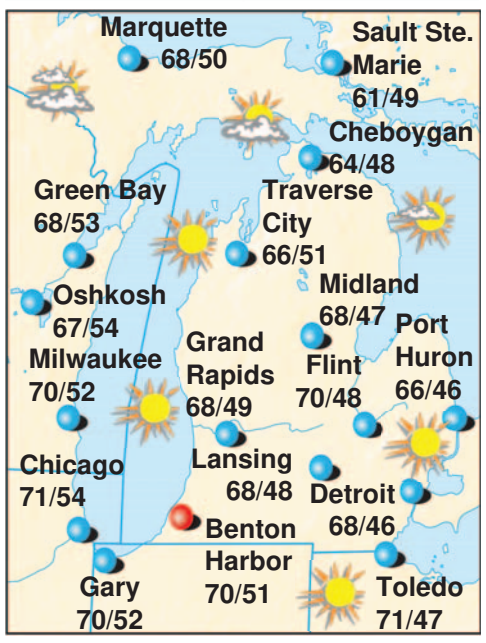
Today we will see sunny skies with a high temperature of 70°, humidity of 48%. South wind 8 to 11 mph. Expect clear skies tonight with an overnight low of 51°. South southeast wind 5 to 8 mph. Sunday, skies will be mostly sunny with a high of 69°, humidity of 55%.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise ..... 7:26 a.m.
Sunset ..... 5:31 p.m.
Moonrise ..... 11:12 p.m.
Moonset ..... 1:40 p.m.

Last	New	First	Full
11/8	11/15	11/21	11/30

Regional Map



Local Almanac

Benton Harbor Yesterday

Temperature

High	73°R
Low	47°
Normal High	54°
Normal Low	37°
Record High	70° in 2008
Record Low	23° in 2012

Precipitation

Yesterday	0.00"
Month to date	0.01"
Normal for month	0.80"
Year to date	30.25"
Normal Year to date	32.80"

Air Quality

Yesterday 151
Main Offender ..... Particles

The higher the number, the greater the need for people with respiratory problems to reduce outside activity.

0-50 ..... Good
51-100 ..... Moderate
101-150 .... Sensitive
151-200 .. Unhealthy

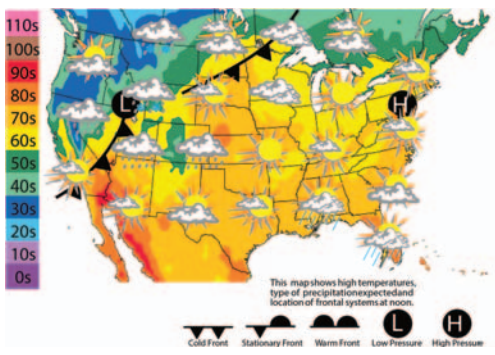
Weather Trivia

On average, how often do sun spots occur? ?

Answer: Every 11 years.

National Weather Map

Forecast map for Nov. 7, 2020



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Lake Michigan

Today, SSW wind 9 to 13 kt, with gusts as high as 20 kt. Sunny. Waves around 1 ft. Water temperature 63 degrees. Tonight, S wind 9 to 11 kt. Clear. Waves 1 ft or less.

Michigan Forecast

Upper Peninsula

Today, skies will be partly cloudy to mostly cloudy with highs in the 60s. Southwest wind 6 to 15 mph. Expect mostly sunny to partly cloudy skies Sunday with highs in the 60s and 70s. South southwest wind 9 mph.

Lower Peninsula

Today, skies will be sunny with highs in the 60s and 70s. South wind 8 to 11 mph. Expect sunny skies Sunday with highs in the 60s and 70s. South southeast wind 5 to 9 mph.

Michigan couple with 14 sons welcome their first daughter

LAKEVIEW (AP) — A Michigan couple whose large family attracted attention by growing to include 14 sons has welcomed their first daughter nearly three decades after the birth of their first child.

Kateri Schwandt gave birth Thursday to Maggie Jayne, who weighed in at 7 pounds, 8 ounces (3.4 kilograms) and entered a world filled with 14 older brothers.

Jay Schwandt said he and his wife, both 45, "are overjoyed and beyond excited to add Maggie Jayne to our family."

"This year has been memorable in so many ways, for so many reasons, but Maggie is the greatest gift we could ever imagine," he told the Detroit Free Press following his daughter's birth at Mercy Health Saint Mary's Hospital in Grand Rapids.

The Schwandts have been featured for years in local and national news as their family has grown. The couple have a livestreaming program called "14 Outdoorsmen" that may now need a name change.

Their oldest child, Tyler Schwandt, 28, said his parents thought they would never have a daughter after 14 sons. He said there's likely nothing pink in the family's home in the rural community of Lakeview, about 30 miles northeast of Grand Rapids.

"I don't even know if my mom owns any pink clothing – or anything," said Tyler, who is engaged to be married and recently bought a home 20 minutes away from his parents' 200-acre.

The Schwandts started dating as freshmen, attending Gaylord High School and Gaylord St. Mary's, respectively. They wed in 1993, before they attended Ferris State University, and before they graduated the couple had three sons.

Both earned advanced degrees, even as their family grew. Kateri holds a master's degree in social work from Grand Valley State University, and Jay, who is a lawyer and owner of a land surveying business, holds a law degree from Western Michigan University's Thomas M. Cooley Law School.

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Lansing Catholic 49, South Haven 14
Buchanan 55, Brandywine 15
Martin 50, New Buffalo 0

Grosbeaks are out and about this fall

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Titans, Bears eager to snap 2-game skids

By TERESA M. WALKER
AP Pro Football Writer

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — The Tennessee Titans are not happy. Their sizzling start during which they won their first five games is a distant memory with the fresh pain of back-to-back losses for the first time since December.

"It's tough," Titans quarterback Ryan Tannehill said. "Everyone's frustrated. Just not going out and performing the way we expect to is frustrating, plain and simple. But at the end of the day, we have no one to look to but ourselves."

The Chicago Bears (5-3) also have lost two straight, including a 26-23 overtime loss to New Orleans last week. They are scheduled to visit the Titans on Sunday dealing with a COVID-19 outbreak that included another player testing positive, forcing the Bears to close Halas Hall on Thursday.

The Titans (5-2) went through this themselves a month ago and had two games rescheduled.

"We'll continue to prepare as if we're playing Sunday until we're told otherwise," Titans coach Mike Vrabel said.

The Bears have won each of Chicago's first three trips to Tennessee. But coach Matt Nagy is busy figuring out a variety of plans for whoever's available Sunday after the positive COVID-19 tests and other injuries.

"Who knows where this thing goes for gameday?" Nagy said. "We don't know yet."

The Titans know they must start faster. They trailed Pittsburgh 14-0 before losing for the first time this season and fell behind last week 10-0 after Tannehill was intercepted in the end zone. The Titans lost 31-20 to Cincinnati, and Tannehill says those slow starts are keeping them from putting pressure on defenses.

"It's going to be really important for us to go out, play well early in the game and put points on the board," Tannehill said. "That way we're not putting ourselves in a bad situation as it gets down in the second half."

Lined up

The Bears could be missing four starters on the offensive line, with right tackle Bobby Massie (knee) placed on injured reserve after being hurt against New Orleans. Center Cody Whitehair (calf) was sidelined for last week's game against New Orleans and left guard James Daniels (pectoral) is likely out for

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Vikings' new strong-arm strategy shifts to Lions

By DAVE CAMPBELL
AP Pro Football Writer

MINNEAPOLIS — The Minnesota Vikings have rarely shied from a ground-oriented approach on offense in seven seasons under coach Mike Zimmer, never more apparent than in their last game.

Dalvin Cook has made this strong-arm strategy viable, rather than some tired relic. With 30 rushes for 163 yards and three touchdowns – plus two catches for 63 yards and another score – Cook carried the Vikings to a potentially pivotal victory at Green Bay. As Kirk Cousins only attempted 14 passes, Cook became the first player with 30 carries for Minnesota since 2013.

"We're going to have to ride this guy," Zimmer said.

The Vikings have had a player reach 30-plus rushing attempts 17 times in their 60-year history, including six by single-game franchise record holder Adrian Peterson (35). The Vikings are 16-0-1 in those games.

When asked this week to assess Cook's unique traits, Zimmer paused briefly before invoking the name of the NFL's all-time leading rusher, Emmitt Smith.

"Really good feet. Quick accelerator. Powerful runner. Good vision," Zimmer said.

The Vikings have run the ball on 49.6 percent of their plays, the third-most in the league. Baltimore, the NFL leader, employs a run-heavy quarterback in 2019 NFL MVP Lamar Jackson.

"We just run yards like Swiss chard," Cook said, using the leafy green vegetable for a clever rhyme.

The nutritional value is unmistakable, as long as they're controlling the ball and scoring points. That's the way they tried to win with Cook's predecessor, too. Peterson, coincidentally,

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Don Campbell / HP staff See more photos: heraldpalladium.mycapture.com

St. Joseph's Malik Immoos pulls down Harper Creek's Easton Kolassa during the first half of Friday night's Division 3 district semifinal at St. Joseph High School.

Quick strikes for SJ

Shinrock's three early touchdowns help Bears roll past Harper Creek

Don Campbell / HP staff

St. Joseph's Brennen Kerns celebrates Griffin Shinrock's touchdown during the first half of Friday night's game.

By BEN SANDERS
HP Sports Editor

ST. JOSEPH — St. Joseph didn't hesitate to get the ball in Griffin Shinrock's hands in Friday's Division 3 district semifinal against Battle Creek Harper Creek.

St. Joseph 37 Harper Creek 10

The Bears' standout wide receiver scored touchdowns on his team's first three possessions, leading to a 37-10 victory.

"(Shinrock is) definitely a special talent," Bears quarterback Troy Pratley said. "He allows us to do a lot of things on the field. We really are confident in his ability to make plays all the time. After a week of practice, we find stuff on film that we can take advantage and get No. 3 the ball, that's what we like to do."

St. Joseph (7-1) advances to host Lakeshore (6-2) for the district championship. The Lancers moved on after Coldwater forfeited their semifinal game.

Shinrock finished with seven catches for 135 yards and two touchdowns. He scored the game's opening touchdown on a 16-yard pass from Pratley. Harper Creek (5-3) ate up most of

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David J. Phillip / AP

Tiger Woods reacts as he wins the Masters on April 14, 2019. Because of the coronavirus pandemic, the Masters is being held in November (Nov. 12-15) for the first time.

No blooms, no fans, no roars make this Masters like no other

By DOUG FERGUSON
AP Golf Writer

Nothing about this Masters will look familiar until the champion slips his arms through a green jacket.

The purple, pink and white blooms of azaleas and dogwoods, which provide such a magnificent accent to Augusta National in spring, give way to the orange and gold hues of autumn. The course might look familiar with its emerald green fairways, blazing white sand in the bunkers, towering Georgia pines and the still water of Rae's Creek.

It just won't sound the same, not without thousands upon thousands of spectators framing each hole and sending those piercing roars from all corners of the course.

It won't be the same.

What makes this Masters unlike any other is the calendar. Golf's annual rite of spring is now two weeks before Thanksgiving. And without its patrons, the cathedral of golf will never be quieter.

"It's going to be eerie. It's going to be different," Rory McIlroy said. "But at least we're playing for a green jacket."

Not even that much was certain when the COVID-19 pandemic began shutting down sports around the world a week before the first day of spring. The Masters was postponed – a relief to those who initially feared cancellation – and then rescheduled for Nov. 12-15, the final major of an unforgettable year.

When the pandemic did not loosen its grip, the club had no choice but to close the door to its patrons. No need for those green "Golf Traffic" signs posted about the city, or people lining the streets of Washington Road looking for tickets.

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Anderson eager to have fun playing for La Russa

By ANDREW SELIGMAN
Associated Press

CHICAGO — Tim Anderson is as curious as anyone to see how new Chicago White Sox manager Tony La Russa will react the first time the fun-loving shortstop flips his bat following a big home run.

Anderson also made a few things clear.

He won't change to suit the Hall of Fame skipper who returned to the White Sox last week, 34 years after they fired him. The 2019 AL batting champion is looking forward to playing for La Russa – and having a good time along the way.

"There's been a lot of news saying that we might not get along," Anderson said, chuckling. "Hopefully, we can get along and continue to do what the ultimate goal is – to try to win a championship on the South Side. I'm just ready to pick his brain and learn the knowledge. ... Just try to have fun with it – if he allows that."

Jeff Chiu / AP

Chicago's Tim Anderson prepares to hit at practice during a workout in Oakland, Calif., on Sept. 28.

Anderson and outfielder Eloy Jiménez spoke Thursday on a Zoom call after they and first baseman Jose Abreu were announced as Silver Slugger Award winners as the top offensive players at their positions.

They're getting a manager who won a World Series with the Oakland Athletics and two more with the St. Louis Cardinals. But Anderson and Jiménez said they were sorry to see the White Sox part with Rick Renteria in what the team insisted was a mutual agreement to split.

With a mix of young stars and solid veterans, Chicago vaulted into the playoffs this year and ended a run of seven consecutive losing seasons.

"Tony is one of the greatest managers in the history of the game," Jiménez said through an interpreter. "When I saw the news, I was excited to be managed by a guy like him. But at the same time, it was kind of bittersweet news because I loved Ricky, too."

La Russa is 2,728-2,365 with six pennants over 33 seasons with Chicago, Oakland and St. Louis. Only Hall of Famers Connie Mack (3,731) and John McGraw (2,763) have more victories.

But at 76, he hasn't filled out a lineup card since the Cardinals beat Texas in Game 7 of the 2011 World Series. He is taking over a vibrant team that likes to have fun and celebrate – no one more than the 27-year-old Anderson.

"I won't change my style, the way I play, for Tony," Anderson said, laughing. "That won't happen. I will continue to be me. I always have and I always will be. We'll see what happens, I guess if I do do a bat flip."

La Russa is no stranger to managing big personalities. He had Rickey Henderson and Jose Canseco in Oakland. And his closer there – Dennis Eckersley – was known to pump his fist, point at opponents and fire imaginary guns at them after strikeouts.

La Russa said last week he's fine with players celebrating as long as it's "sincere." He wants players "passionately involved with the competition."

Anderson is looking forward to talking with La Russa.

"I'm gonna ask him, 'How much have you been reading? You know, a lot of people have been saying we're not gonna get along.' So I'm gonna ask him, 'Why do you think that?'" Anderson said. "I'm excited about it. Hopefully, we can turn this negative around into a positive. Keep moving, keep enjoying the game and keep having fun with it. You can't get sidetracked with what the ultimate goal is."

Turner will not be disciplined by MLB for return to field

By RONALD BLUM
AP Baseball Writer

NEW YORK — Justin Turner will not be disciplined by Major League Baseball for coming onto the field last week to celebrate the World Series title with his Los Angeles Dodgers teammates after testing positive for COVID-19.

The third baseman was removed after seven innings of Game 6 against Tampa Bay on Oct. 27 after MLB informed the Dodgers of the test result, which was received during the sixth inning. He returned to the field after Los Angeles won 3-1 to earn the title, took off his mask and posed for a photograph with teammates.

"Our investigation revealed additional relevant information that, while not exonerating Mr. Turner from responsibility for his conduct, helps put into context why he chose to leave the isolation room and return to the field," baseball Commissioner Rob Manfred said Friday. "First, Mr. Turner's teammates actively encouraged him to leave the isolation room and return to the field for a photograph. Many teammates felt they had already been exposed to Mr. Turner and were prepared to tolerate the additional risk.

Eric Gay / AP

Los Angeles Dodgers third baseman Justin Turner celebrates with the trophy after defeating the Tampa Bay Rays 3-1 to win the World Series on Oct. 27.

"Second, Mr. Turner believes that he received permission from at least one Dodgers employee to return to the field to participate in a photograph. Although Mr. Turner's belief may have been the product of a miscommunication, at least two Dodgers employees said nothing to Mr. Turner as he made his way to the field, which they admitted may have created the impression that his conduct was acceptable.

"Third, during the somewhat chaotic situation on the field, Mr. Turner was incorrectly told by an unidentified person that other players had tested positive, creating the impression in Mr. Turner's mind that he was being singled out for isolation. Finally, Major League Baseball could have handled the situation more effectively. For example, in retrospect, a security person should have been assigned to monitor Mr. Turner when he was asked to isolate, and Mr. Turner should have been transported from the stadium to the hotel more promptly."

Manfred said he spoke with Turner and "I am closing this matter by applauding Justin for accepting responsibility, apologizing and making a commitment to set a positive example going forward."

Turner said he watched the final two innings with his wife Kourtney in a doctor's office in the clubhouse and he assumed there was no objection by Dodgers officials to his returning to the field. He also said that when he returned to the field, he thought few people would be there and his plan was to take a quick photo with his wife.

"However, what was intended to be a photo capturing the two of us turned into several greetings and photos where I briefly and unwisely removed my mask," Turner said in a statement. "In hindsight, I should have waited until the field was clear of others to take that photo with my wife. I sincerely apologize to everyone on the field for failing to appreciate the risks of returning to the field. I have spoken with almost every teammate, coach, and staff member, and my intentions were never to make anyone uncomfortable or put anyone at further risk."

Turner, who turns 36 on Nov. 23, became a free agent after completing a $64 million, four-year contract. This was the seventh season with the Dodgers, who won their first title since 1988, and the red-haired, bearded third baseman was a key component.

"No player was more instrumental in allowing the Dodgers to overcome the adversity created by the pandemic than Justin Turner, as he set an example for his teammates and advocated for enhanced safety measures that went above and beyond league requirements," Dodgers president Stan Kasten said in a statement. "Justin's leadership played a large part in helping the Dodgers safely complete the entire season."

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the rest of the season after being hurt Week 5 against Tampa Bay.

Right guard Germain Ifedi was activated Friday off the reserve/COVID-19 list. Depth also is an issue with Jason Spriggs on the reserve/COVID-19 list and center Sam Mustipher (knee) out. Spriggs took over for Massie, and Mustipher made his first career start last week.

There goes Henry

Titans running back Derrick Henry is off to the best start of his career leading the NFL with 775 yards rushing on 161 carries averaging 4.8 yards per attempt and eight touchdowns. Those are all his highest yet through the first seven games of a season.

If he runs for 125 yards and a TD, it would be just the 10th time since 1948 that a player has run for 900 yards and nine TDs through eight games and first since Shaun Alexander in 2005 for Seattle. Jim Brown, Jim Taylor, Eric Dickerson, Emmitt Smith and Terrell Davis to hit those marks.

Bears cornerback Jaylon Johnson said he hasn't played against any running back like Henry: "Naw, I don't think there is another running back built the way he is."

Third-quarter woes

The Bears have their own offensive woes being outscored 49-7 in the third quarter. And they're trying to figure out why.

"I think that's something we're working on putting a finger on and figuring out," quarterback Nick Foles said. "And it's going to take the coaches and the players to do that. The biggest thing is just going in at halftime and talking through things, and it's making sure we're ready to roll going into the third quarter."

Chicago's lone third-quarter points came at Carolina in Week 6, when Foles scored on a 1-yard run. The Bears had a rough time against New Orleans, and it wasn't just because Javon Wims got ejected for punching New Orleans Saints safety C.J. Gardner-Johnson. Wims was suspended two games by the NFL.

Hey you

This will be Bears kicker Cairo Santos' first game in Nashville since Oct. 6, 2019.

That day, he missed three field goals and had a fourth blocked kicking for the Titans in a 14-7 loss to Buffalo.

The Titans cut him the next day. Santos is 14 of 16 this season with Chicago.

Stephen Gostkowski now is the Titans' kicker, and he has struggled this season despite making the winning field goal in Tennessee's first three games. Gostkowski is 10 of 17 and has missed a kick in three straight games with another blocked.

The Titans cut their long snapper Tuesday. Three-time Pro Bowl punter Brett Kern holds for Gostkowski but was declared out for Friday because of an injured wrist. The Titans planned to sign a replacement punter after a workout Saturday.

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will be in Minnesota on Sunday with his latest team, the Detroit Lions.

The Vikings (2-5) have a lot of catchup to do.

They blew double-digit second-half leads and lost be one point to Tennessee and Seattle.

They were also no-shows in one-sided defeats to Green Bay, Indianapolis and Atlanta.

Their performance against Detroit (3-4) will reveal a lot about whether they're truly a darkhorse contender for the expanded playoffs or better off refocusing on the future.

That summary might sound familiar to the Lions, who were unsure if quarterback Matthew Stafford would be available after placing him this week on the COVID-19 reserve list.

"We're doing some things really well," coach Matt Patricia said. "We just have to learn how to finish better. I think that's true all the way across the board."

Backup plan

If Stafford is not cleared in time to play, the Lions would have to choose between Chase Daniel or David Blough.

The 34-year-old Daniel has started just five games in his career with seven touchdowns and five interceptions, though he helped lead Chicago to a 16-6 victory over the Vikings last season by going 22 of 30 with a touchdown in relief of an injured Mitch Trubisky.

Blough went 0-5 as a starter last year when Stafford was out with a broken back, with four touchdown passes and six interceptions after the undrafted rookie was acquired from Cleveland.

That included a loss at Minnesota, when Blough had one touchdown, was sacked five times and intercepted twice in a 20-7 loss.

Remember them?

Everson Griffen expected to face his former team this month, but the reunion was moved up two weeks when Dallas traded him to Detroit. The 11th-year defensive end with 77 career sacks will make his debut with the Lions on Sunday, a convenient addition to the lineup with defensive end Trey Flowers going on short-term injured reserve.

In addition to Peterson and Griffen, backup safety Jayron Kearse will make his return to Minnesota. Griffen could find himself lined up across from Vikings left tackle Riley Reiff, who's been blocking as well as ever in his fourth season with the team.

He played his first five years with the Lions.

Hall pass

Marvin Hall has taken only one-fourth of Detroit's offensive snaps, behind Marvin Jones, Kenny Golladay, Danny Amendola and rookie Quintez Cephus, but he has given the Lions a legitimate deep threat with an average of 24 yards per catch.

With Golladay hampered by a hip injury this week, Hall could find more opportunity against a struggling Vikings secondary.

"The thing that he brings for us is speed," Lions offensive coordinator Darrell Bevell said. "You can feel it, and that can really change some things in the back end."

Cornerback crunch

The Vikings, who have surrendered 30.6 points per game for the fourth-worst average in the league and rank third-to-last in passing yards allowed, have been fighting a dual challenge of inexperience and injuries at cornerback all season. The only one who has played in every game is rookie starter Jeff Gladney. Chris Jones, a recent waiver claim from the Lions, could see his first action for Minnesota with five other cornerbacks dealing with injuries this week.

Homework time

The Vikings have lost five straight at U.S. Bank Stadium, since beating Blough and the Lions on Dec. 8, 2019.

That's their longest such streak since 2011 and approaching the franchise record, set between the 1966-67 seasons when the Vikings lost six consecutive games at Metropolitan Stadium and tied a seventh before stopping the skid.

Zimmer spoke to the players this week about restoring their home-field edge, even if the absence of fans has negated the usual noise advantage.

"We need to bring our own energy. We need to bring our own excitement. We need to play like the fans are there," Zimmer said. "Hopefully they can do it through it through osmosis or something."

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Harper Creek's Ben Shafer tries to escape pressure from St. Joseph's Preston Nichols during the first half of Friday night's Division 3 district semifinal at St. Joseph High School.

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the rest of the first quarter with a long drive that ended in a 28-yard field goal by Paul Geelen with nine seconds left. The Bears responded instantly as Pratley found Shinrock on a long pass down the right side that turned into an 80-yard touchdown.

"We saw some things in the run game that we liked, and then we were kind of surprised they came out the way they did against Griffin," Bears coach Andrew Pratley said. "We're going to take advantage of that when we can, and Troy and Griffin did a good job."

Shinrock also got a chance to carry the ball, rushing for a 43-yard touchdown on the Bears' third possession. Troy Pratley finished off the next two St. Joseph drives with two-yard rushing touchdowns to make it 34-3 at halftime. In between, Harper Creek had the ball for just one play, an interception by the Bears' Brennen Kerns.

Troy Pratley finished 14-for-18 passing for 217 yards and two touchdowns, and ran 11 times for 52 yards.

Julion McCray had a strong performance for Harper Creek, rushing 28 times for 146 yards. The Beavers didn't get much else going offensively, however – three of their 10 pass attempts were intercepted, and their three completions went for just eight yards. Their only touchdown came on a play that was nearly a disaster – McCray fumbled the ball at the St. Joseph one-yard line, but William King scooped up the lost ball and took it into the end zone.

"I thought our defense, to be up 34-3, we really dominated the first half," coach Pratley said. "Our defense did everything they needed to do. I thought they did a good job in the second half, gave up one score but a lot of kids got a chance to play and we're coming out healthy so it's a great thing."

The Bears' only score of the second half was a 29-yard field goal by Reese Uzelac.

"We played hard, we played well," Shinrock said. "We've just got to get better. That second half wasn't what we wanted it to be."

St. Joseph will have a chance to avenge its only loss next week against Lakeshore. The Lancers won the regular-season meeting 26-0, taking advantage of eight Bears turnovers.

"When we played them the first time, we played about as bad a football game as you can play," Troy Pratley said. "It's definitely not what we wanted to show. We've won (seven) other games, we're really looking forward to getting another shot at them."

ST. JOSEPH 37, HARPER CREEK 10

Harper Creek	3	0	7	0 —	10
St. Joseph	14	20	0	3 —	37

First quarter

SJ – Griffin Shinrock 16 pass from Troy Pratley (Reese Uzelac kick), 7:53.
HC – Paul Geelen 28 field goal, 0:09.
SJ – Shinrock 80 pass from Pratley (Uzelac kick), 0:00.

Second quarter

SJ – Shinrock 43 run (Uzelac kick), 7:18.
SJ – Pratley 2 run (Uzelac kick), 3:49.
SJ – Pratley 2 run (run failed), 0:47.

Third quarter

HC – William King 1 offensive fumble return (Bryce Casselman kick), 5:20.

Fourth quarter

SJ – Uzelac 29 field goal, 9:30.
Records – St. Joseph 7-1, Harper Creek 5-3.

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MASTERS

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There won't be a Par 3 Contest, with players dressing their children in white coveralls. The first-time players might not know any better. For the veterans, it might not be much different from their scouting trips to Augusta National. They will know what they're missing, the sights and sounds.

"You walk through the gates at Augusta, there's that energy, that anticipation," said McIlroy, making his 10th appearance at the only major keeping him from the career Grand Slam. "There's still a golf course there. There's still a golf tournament to be won, and you've got to make the most of it.

"But they're playing," he said. "And that's the most important part."

Tiger Woods had to wait 19 months to play another Masters.

He won his fifth green jacket, as significant as any of his 15 majors considering where he had been. His one-shot victory last year capped one of the more remarkable comebacks in sport, which included four back surgeries and a DUI arrest from a bad mix of medicine while trying to cope with pain.

Woods ended the year by winning in Japan for his 82nd career victory, tying the PGA Tour record held by Sam Snead. Excitement was building toward this year, especially the Masters. And then it stopped. Woods, keeping a limited schedule to get the most out of his 44-year-old body, had played only two tournaments when the pandemic stopped sports.

And then he hardly played at all – one time before an ordinary performance at the PGA Championship, two FedEx Cup playoff events before he missed the cut at the U.S. Open, and one tournament in the two months leading to the Masters. Las Vegas set his odds of tying Jack Nicklaus with a sixth green jacket at 35-1.

"The entire year has been different for all of us," he said. "And my run-up to Augusta is unlike anything I've ever experienced. That's just the way it is."

But it's Augusta National, a course he knows as well as any. His optimism hasn't waned.

"My game is definitely better than it was at the U.S. Open," Woods said last month. "I feel a little bit more prepared, a little bit better, and hopefully that translates into playing the golf course."

Even as the defending champion, and golf's biggest star, Woods is playing second billing at this Masters.

Bryson DeChambeau has been the talk of golf since golf returned. He added some 40 pounds of muscle and mass, all designed to enable him to swing faster and harder and hit drives farther than anyone imagined. It carried him to a six-shot victory in the U.S. Open with a game that defied convention. And that was just the start.

DeChambeau took a month off ahead of the Masters to work on a 48-inch driver – the size used by World Long Drive contestants, his inspiration – with hopes of dismantling Augusta National the way Woods did when he hit pitching wedge into a par 5 on his way to a 12-shot victory in 1997.

"If he can get a 48-inch driver in play, he'll shoot 20 under or better. It's going to be a slaughter," said World Long Drive champion Kyle Berkshire, who provides feedback to DeChambeau. "He might as well be the only one on the course."

DeChambeau won't be the only one on the course. It will just feel that way.

Players are allowed to bring one significant other and a coach. Augusta National members can attend. That's it. And for the Masters, that's not much at all.

By now, the players should be used to the silence. Spectators were not allowed at the PGA Championship or U.S. Open, and only recently have a very limited number of fans been allowed in Bermuda and Houston.

But nowhere else than Augusta National will the quiet be so difficult to ignore.

"It echoes there. It travels. You can figure out who's doing what, and the roars for certain people are louder than others," Woods said. "It's unlike any other place in the world."

Still, they're playing. It's the Masters. Woods is chasing another green jacket. Five players already have taken their turn at No. 1 this year.

It should be quite a show, just like always, right up until the point CBS signs off from Augusta National on Sunday afternoon so it can broadcast an NFL game.

HIGH SCHOOL ROUNDUP

Bettich places 13th at state XC finals

By HP STAFF

Lakeshore's Race Bettich placed 13th out of 250 runners in the Division 2 boys cross country state finals Friday at Michigan International Speedway in Brooklyn.

Bettich finished with a time of 16:23.77. Berrien Springs competed as a team and placed 26th out of 27 full squads.

The Shamrocks were led by Ashton Sheline in 58th place in 17:02.49. Other runners for Berrien Springs were James Burke (136th, 17:49.44), Sam Markle (177th, 18:16.64), Nathaniel Bittner (189th, 18:27.79) and Luke Morrison (215th, 18:58.88).

In the Division 2 girls race, Eva Shepherd of Niles finished 192nd in 22:01.97.

The only local Division 1 runner was St. Joseph's Grace Kelley, who placed 90th in the girls race in 20:03.07.

The Division 3 and 4 events were scheduled for Saturday morning.

Coloma's boys and girls teams were set to compete in Division 3, along with Lake Michigan Catholic and Lawrence boys in Division 4, and several individual qualifiers in both divisions.

Football playoffs

Division 5
Lansing Catholic 49, South Haven 14

The Rams fell to defending state champion Lansing Catholic in this district semifinal.

South Haven finishes with a 5-3 record, its first winning season since 2008.

Division 6
Buchanan 55, Brandywine 15

Buchanan rolled past rival Brandywine and into the district finals.

The Bucks (8-0) will host the winner of Saturday's district semifinal between Constantine and Parchment next weekend.

Connor LeGault threw three touchdown passes – two to Gavin Fazi – as the Bucks led 42-7 at halftime.

Keeghan Pelley, Johnny Rager, Izayah Burns and Aidan Kutemeier each rushed for a TD for Buchanan.

LeGault finished 13-for-21 passing for 221 yards. Pelley led Buchanan's ground game with 11 carries for 91 yards. Fazi had five receptions for 94 yards and the two TDs.

Pelley and Jack Branch each had five tackles.

The two teams played Oct. 23, a Buchanan 20-6 victory.

Brandywine finishes its season at 4-4.

8-player
Martin 50, New Buffalo 0

New Buffalo bows out of the eight-player postseason with a shutout loss.

The Bison finish with a 4-4 record.

Today's games
8-player

Maple Valley at Bridgman, 5

Marcellus at Lawrence, 1

SCOREBOARD

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

College Football Schedule
Wednesday, Nov. 4
W. Michigan 58, Akron 13
Kent St. 27, E. Michigan 23
Cent. Michigan 30, Ohio 27
Miami (Ohio) 38, Ball St. 31
Buffalo 49, N. Illinois 30
Toledo 38, Bowling Green 3
Thursday, Nov. 5
Nevada 34, Utah St. 9
Colorado St. 34, Wyoming 24
Friday, Nov. 6
Miami (5-1) at NC State (4-2)
San Jose St. (2-0) at SDSU (2-0)
BYU (7-0) at Boise St. (2-0)
Saturday, Nov. 7
Air Force (1-2) at Army (6-1), 11:30 a.m.
SMU (6-1) at Temple (1-3), Noon
Tulsa (3-1) at Navy (3-4), Noon
Liberty (6-0) at Virginia Tech (4-2), Noon
A-State (3-4) at La.-Lafayette (5-1), Noon
La.-Monroe (0-7) at Georgia St. (2-3), Noon
Tulane (3-4) at East Carolina (1-4), Noon
North Carolina (4-2) at Duke (2-5), Noon
South Florida (1-5) at Memphis (3-2), Noon
Michigan (1-1) at Indiana (2-0), Noon
Nebraska (0-1) at Northwestern (2-0), Noon
Michigan St. (1-1) at Iowa (0-2), Noon
West Virginia (4-2) at Texas (4-2), Noon
Arizona St. at Southern Cal, Noon
Troy (4-2) at Georgia Southern (4-2), 1 p.m.
Boston C. (4-3) at Syracuse (1-6), 2 p.m.
UMass (0-1) at Marshall (5-0), 2:30 p.m.
App. State (4-1) at Texas State (1-7), 3 p.m.
N. Alabama (0-2) at South. Miss. (1-5), 3 p.m.
Vanderbilt (0-4) at Miss. St. (1-4), 3:30 p.m.
Florida (3-1) vs. Georgia (4-1) at Jacksonville, 3:30 p.m.
Maryland (1-1) at Penn St. (0-2), 3:30 p.m.
Minnesota (0-2) at Illinois (0-2), 3:30 p.m.
Houston (2-2) at Cincinnati (5-0), 3:30 p.m.
Kansas (0-6) at Oklahoma (4-2), 3:30 p.m.
Texas Tech (2-4) at TCU (2-3), 3:30 p.m.
Fresno St. (1-1) at UNLV (0-2), 3:30 p.m.
Angelo State (0-1) at ACU (1-3), 4 p.m.
FIU (0-3) at UTEP (3-3), 4 p.m.
Oklahoma St. (4-1) at KSU (4-2), 4 p.m.
Pittsburgh (3-4) at Florida St. (2-4), 4 p.m.
W. Kentucky (2-5) at FAU (2-1), 6 p.m.
Texas A&M (4-1) at SCAR (2-3), 7 p.m.
Baylor (1-3) at Iowa St. (4-2), 7 p.m.
La. Tech (4-3) at North Texas (2-3), 7 p.m.
UCLA at Colorado, 7 p.m.
Stanford at Oregon, 7:30 p.m.
Tennessee (2-3) at Arkansas (2-3), 7:30 p.m.
Clemson (7-0) at Notre Dame (6-0), 7:30 p.m.
Rutgers (1-1) at Ohio St. (2-0), 7:30 p.m.
S. Alabama (3-3) at C. Carolina (6-0), 8 p.m.
Washington at California, 10:30 p.m.
Washington St. at Oregon St., 10:30 p.m.
New Mexico (0-1) at Hawaii (1-1), 11 p.m.
Postponements and Cancellations
Purdue (2-0) at Wisconsin (1-0), canc.
Arizona at Utah, canc.
Louisville (2-5) at Virginia (2-4), ppd.
Charlotte (2-3) at Mid. Tenn. (2-5), ppd.
UTSA (4-4) at Rice (1-1), ppd.

Yes, your 401(k) can survive the election

I'm stressed about my 401(k) retirement plan and what a protracted legal battle over the next U.S. president may do to the stock market.

I'm not supposed to admit this. I should know better. But the volatility of the stock market can take you there: a place of panic.

However, when your emotions will probably drive you to make a misguided financial decision, it helps to get an outside perspective.

"People may remember that the market tumbled in the immediate wake of President Trump's election, but then recovered and went on to perform quite well," said Christine Benz, director of personal finance for Morningstar. "Investors were rewarded for sitting tight and not selling. We saw the same phenomenon earlier this year, when the magnitude of the pandemic came into view. Investors who sat tight through what was a very uncomfortable period in February and March were rewarded. Those who sold themselves out in the heat of the moment locked in their losses. We see this again and again. Patience and inertia in the face of volatility are invariably rewarded."

I asked several financial experts questions about how the election may affect your retirement savings. Here's what they had to say.

Michelle Singletary

Q: What is your advice if the election leads to a heated court battle that continues to affect the stock market?

"On the planning side, maybe you want to be able to look at a drop in markets as a buying opportunity," Dan Egan, managing director of behavioral finance at Betterment, said in an interview. "Make it an opportunity rather than a risk or something that you're really worried about."

And things may not be as crazy as you think they will be after Election Day, Egan said, pointing to 2016, when betting markets gave Trump just a 20 percent chance of winning. The day after the election, the market opened flat.

"It's unlikely that the election results will drive unusual levels of volatility," Egan wrote in a post for Betterment about how to avoid an election headache.

Q: Should I just sell and wait for the stock market to stabilize after a winner has been declared?

"Everyone is saying that this election will come down to Florida, Florida, Florida," Benz said. "The key thing to remember if you have stocks and they head down, no matter what's going on in the world, is time horizon, time horizon, time horizon. If you have a very short time frame until you'll need to spend your money, whether to buy a house or make a tuition payment, that money shouldn't be in stocks. The market is just too volatile in the short run. You shouldn't risk it."

Benz said many investors have been letting their stock holdings ride for many years, and their portfolios are the better for it. But if you're close to retirement, you may want to consider taking some money off the table in stocks to safeguard the money you'll need in the early years of retirement.

"On the other hand, if you have a time horizon of at least 10 years until you'll need your money, you should be in stocks," she said. "You need the growth potential, and stocks have been positive more than 90 percent of the time in various 10-year periods throughout market history. Because you're not spending right away, you should be able to put up with the periodic bouts of volatility that the market faces, whether due to uncertain election results, a pandemic or a financial crisis."

Q: Should I just put my money in a savings account to avoid the roller-coaster ride of the stock market?

Don't let the daily seesaw of the markets dictate your investment moves, said Carolyn McClanahan, a certified financial planner who founded the fee-only Life Planning Partners based in Jacksonville, Fla.

Like other experts, McClanahan said it's important to make sure you have an emergency fund or funds available that aren't aggressively invested if you need it in the short term.

"If you need cash for the next three to five years, then you need to take that money out of the market," McClanahan said. "And if the market goes up, you're going to kick yourself. If it goes down, you're going to be happy. There's no way to predict."

In a newsletter to clients, McClanahan's firm noted that this year, the S&P 500 plunged 35 percent and then rebounded 60 percent.

The important thing is to have an investment plan and stick with that strategy, so the gyrations of the stock market don't result in making changes based on your emotions. "Stick to what you need for you so that all the noise gets excluded," she said.

Q: What can I learn from the previous performance of the stock market after an election?

"The big lesson is not to allow your political views to influence your investment strategy," said Ric Edelman, founder of Edelman Financial Engines said. "If your candidate wins, you become happy and optimistic, and that can cause you to increase your exposure to stocks. If your candidate loses, you become unhappy and pessimistic, and that can cause you to reduce your exposure to stocks. Optimists take too much risk, and pessimists suffer lower returns. Remember that every president is in office for a maximum of eight years, but you'll be around for 30 or 40 years. Don't let a short-term presidency harm your long-term financial goals."

All of the experts agree on this one thing: Over the long term, historical returns suggest that your 401(k) is going to be OK, regardless of the election.

Ask the Fool

Calculating Inflation

Q Can you recommend a good inflation calculator? — *C.A., Reno, Nevada*

A Sure. Click over to **Westegg.com/inflation**, enter two years, and you can see how prices changed between them — for example, something that cost $100 in 1999 would have cost $156 in 2019. To learn the average inflation rate over a period, visit **MeasuringWorth.com/inflation**. (Between 1999 and 2019, for example, it averaged 2.16% annually in the U.S.) That site also shows inflation rates for specific years. Inflation was close to 0% in 2015, but topped 13% in 1980! Since the beginning of the 20th century, inflation has averaged roughly 3% annually.

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Q Can I give certificates for single shares of stock as holiday gifts? — *G.R., Mount Pleasant, South Carolina*

A You can, but you may not want to. Giving a young person a stock certificate can be a fun way to introduce them to investing, but in this digital era, many companies have phased out paper certificates. You can still ask the company or your broker for a paper certificate, but it will cost you — possibly a lot.

Some websites will offer to sell you certificates for single shares of stock, but they may charge you twice as much as the share actually costs (or more!), and there's a good chance you'll just be getting a replica of a certificate. (You'll also get paperwork confirming that you do own that share.)

Alternatively, you might just transfer one or more shares of a stock you own from your brokerage account to an account belonging to the recipient. If your recipients are minors, they'll need custodial accounts, likely with a parent or guardian as custodian. Ideally, focus on companies they admire, like Disney, Nike or Starbucks.

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Get to Know Capital Structure

When assessing a company as a potential investment, for best results, you should study its business deeply. Among other things, it's good to understand its "capital structure."

A company's capital structure is how it finances its operations — using cash, debt financing (borrowing from a bank; issuing bonds) and/or equity financing (selling a chunk of the company; issuing shares of stock).

Imagine that Scruffy's Chicken Shack (ticker: BUKBUK) is financed mainly with debt, paying 5% in interest on its loans. If it's reliably growing its earnings by about 10% annually, that debt seems manageable. The interest rates companies pay depend on their credit ratings: Healthy companies are offered low rates, and shakier ones are stuck with higher rates.

Alternatively, Scruffy's might finance itself by issuing stock. This is an especially attractive option during bull markets, when its shares will likely trade at high levels, allowing it to get more money for each share issued. That's great, but every time the company issues shares, it's diluting the value of the shares that existed before. (This extreme example will show why: If you owned 15 of a company's 100 existing shares, you'd own 15% of the company. But if it issued another 50 shares, your 15-share stake would shrink to 10% of those 150 shares.) Dilution is only OK if the money raised helps the company increase its market value enough to more than offset the drop in value for existing shareholders. When a company becomes cash-rich, it can buy back shares, reducing that share count and thereby rewarding shareholders.

Finally, Scruffy's might opt to grow only by using cash generated from its operations. That can be less risky, but it can create slower growth. Remember, too, that many successful companies were unprofitable in their early years — cash isn't always plentiful. And rivals using equity or debt financing might grow faster.

Companies often use a combination of debt, stock and cash financing. The debt-to-equity ratio, which divides total debt by shareholder equity, offers insight into how companies finance themselves.

My Dumbest Investment

Bad Pundits

My dumbest investment was moving conservative investments into my company's stock, based on the recommendations of investing pundits. The stock tanked shortly after that. — *J.G., online*

The Fool Responds: It's easy to assume that investing pundits you see on TV, online or in print are highly stock-savvy and bursting with profitable investment ideas for you. But the truth is that they vary widely in investing skills, insights and performance — and it can be hard to know just how worthy of your attention they are.

It also might have seemed smart to park much of your money in the stock of your employer, since you're more familiar with that company than just about any other. Remember, though, that you're already depending on your employer for your current financial needs; your salary is paying for your housing, food and much more. If, on top of that, you invest much of your long-term savings in your company, you're keeping a lot of your eggs in a single basket. Should the company fall on hard times, you might lose your job — along with much of your retirement savings. Plenty of seemingly solid companies have seen their fortunes change for the worse.

Aim to spread your long-term dollars across a wide range of investments in which you have confidence. Or just stick with a low-fee, broad-market index fund, such as one based on the S&P 500.

The Motley Fool Take

Calling Verizon

Telecom company Verizon Communications (NYSE: VZ) is an intriguing option for income-seeking investors. Like most investments, it's not perfect: It's saddled with $113 billion in debt, thanks in part to the capital-intensive needs to build and constantly improve communications infrastructure. Purchases of now-struggling assets from AOL and Yahoo! a few years ago didn't help the balance sheet, either.

But in today's economy, wireless connectivity is a basic staple. Despite the ongoing pandemic, Verizon's operating revenue fell only 3% during the first half of 2020. The company is also acquiring prepaid wireless specialist TracFone, which will bring in millions of new customers to whom Verizon can cross sell other products and services.

Verizon stands to benefit from the growth of markets for 5G, the latest global wireless standard. The company's Ultra Wideband network is already available in parts of dozens of cities, with many more on the way. Its new-and-improved technology promises "seamless 4K streaming" along with "ultra-low lag on all your connected devices."

Verizon's dividend recently yielded a substantial 4.4%, and that payout seems safe, at only 56% of recent annual earnings. The company has ample room to continue making network improvements and service debt, while rewarding owners of its stock generously. Don't expect any sizzling stock price performance from Verizon, but this slow-and-steady telecom business is still worth owning. (The Motley Fool has previously recommended Verizon Communications.)

Name That Company

I trace my roots back to 1843 and 1910, when the founders of two companies got their starts – respectively setting up a hardware factory in New Britain, Connecticut, and a machine shop in Baltimore. Those companies would eventually merge in 2010. Today, with a market value recently near $27 billion, I employ more than 60,000 people in the world's largest tools and storage business. I'm also involved in electronic security services, infrastructure, oil and gas – and even health care. My brands include Bostitch, Craftsman, DeWalt, Irwin, Lenox, Mac Tools and Porter Cable. I've paid dividends for 144 consecutive years. Who am I?

Think you know the answer? We'll announce it in next week's edition.

LAST WEEK'S TRIVIA ANSWER

I trace my roots back to 1985, when a Sears employee tested a new credit card. A year later, Dean Witter Reynolds, then a financial services subsidiary of Sears, debuted that card. It was unusual because it charged no annual fee, sported a higher-than-average credit limit and offered cash rewards to users. That card is under my roof now, and its name is part of mine. Today, with a market value near $21 billion, I'm one of America's largest card issuers. I offer banking services, too, and charge no fees on deposit products such as checking accounts. Who am I? (Answer: Discover Financial Services)

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The upsides to thinking about when you will die

Social Security's life expectancy calculator predicts I'll live to about 86.

Liz Weston

An insurance company's version says I should expect to die at 98. A longevity calculator created by actuaries demurs, putting the odds at only 32 percent that I'll make it to 95.

Eventually, I'll find out which life expectancy calculator was most accurate. In the meantime, the different results help illustrate one of the most important and difficult calculations in retirement planning: figuring out when it will end.

People who underestimate their life expectancy could save too little for retirement and run short of cash. People who overestimate how long they'll live might stay in the workforce longer than they want to or spend less in retirement than they could.

Why life expectancy matters

Assumptions about life expectancy can make a dramatic difference in retirement strategies. For example, people who expect their retirement to last 20 years could withdraw 4.7 percent of their nest egg the first year and have a 90 percent chance their money would last, according to calculations by David Blanchett, head of retirement research at Morningstar, an investment research firm. To have a similar success rate with a 30-year retirement, the initial withdrawal would have to drop to 3 percent.

Given those assumptions, someone who wanted to withdraw $25,000 the first year from their retirement funds would need to save about $532,000 to fund a 20-year retirement. Planning for a 30-year retirement would mean saving $833,000, or about 57 percent more.

Life expectancy also can be a factor in when people should start Social Security, which can start as early as 62 years old. But most people live long enough that the larger checks they can get from delaying their applications at least until full retirement age, which is currently 66 and rising to 67, more than offset the smaller checks they give up in the meantime. But those in poor health with shorter life expectancies may want to start getting their checks earlier.

How life expectancies can differ

The first thing to keep in mind is that the longer you live, the longer you're likely to live. At birth, the average U.S. male has a life expectancy of about 76 years and the average female 81 years, according to the Social Security Administration. If you make it to 65, though, the average man can expect to live to nearly 83 and an average woman to 85.

Also, married couples need to plan for longer life spans. That's not only because married people live longer than singles, but also because the chance of either person being alive at a certain age is typically greater than their individual chances.

There's a 50 percent chance that at least one member of a married couple, both age 65, will be alive at 92, according to the Society of Actuaries.

Other factors can add or subtract years from someone's life expectancy. The more income and education you have, the longer you are likely to live. Race, lifestyle, health and family history play significant roles too.

Some life expectancy calculators, like the Longevity Calculator created by the Society of Actuaries and the American Academy of Actuaries, use just a few of these factors. Others, such as the Living to 100 calculator, pose dozens of questions about various aspects of your life, health and family members' health. (Living to 100 predicted I'd make it to 95, by the way.)

Interestingly, few calculators ask about race, even though that can have a profound impact on life expectancy even when controlling for other factors, such as education and income. For example, one study found that Black men and women with 16 or more years of education lived on average 4.2 years less than similarly educated whites and 6.1 years less than Hispanics with the same level of education.

How financial planners estimate life expectancy

Many financial planners, whose clients tend to have higher incomes, use age 90 or 95 as default life expectancies, Morningstar research has found. Certified financial planner Malcolm Ethridge of Rockville, Maryland, uses age 99. He acknowledges that few of his clients are likely to reach that age, but he prefers to err on the conservative side.

CFP and physician Carolyn McClanahan of Jacksonville, Florida, takes a different approach that factors in the client's financial resources, health and family history. If a client's funds are projected to run out in their mid-80s and they're in good health or have long-lived relatives, for example, McClanahan will help them work out a Plan B.

"We discuss potential ways to reduce spending in the future or the possibility of tapping home equity at some point," McClanahan says.

Morningstar's Blanchett suggests another option: Create a personalized estimate using a life expectancy calculator that at least factors in gender, smoking status, income and health, then add a few years to create a cushion. Based on his research, he suggests adding five years to the personalized life expectancy estimate for a single person. For married couples, he recommends adding eight years to the longer of the two life expectancies.

We can't know for sure when retirement will end – only that it will. A reasonable estimate of when helps us know how much to save and spend in the meantime.

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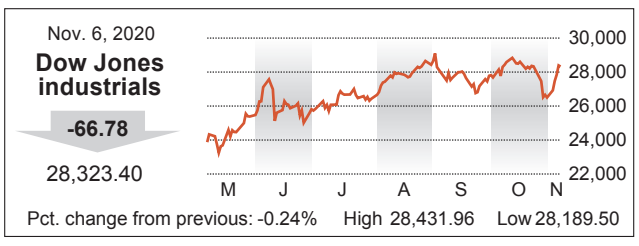

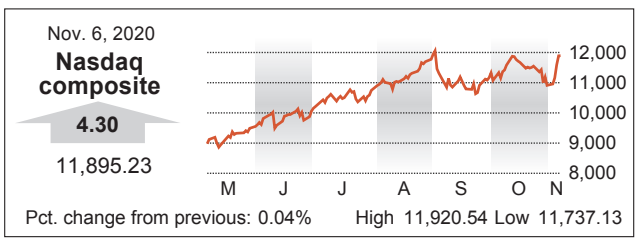

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NAME	TICKER	52-WK RANGE LO	52-WK RANGE HI	◇CLOSE	CHG	%CHG	WK	MO	QTR
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AEP	AEP	65.14	104.97	90.92	+.21	+0.2	▲	▲	▲
Apple Inc s	AAPL	53.15	137.98	118.69	-.13	-0.1	▲	▲	▲
AutoZone	AZO	684.91	1274.41	1158.53	+9.02	+0.8	▲	▲	▼
BP PLC	BP	14.74	40.08	15.64	-.19	-1.2	▲	▼	▼
CMS Eng	CMS	46.03	69.12	64.18	-.26	-0.4	▲	▼	▲
CocaCola	KO	36.27	60.07	49.45	+.01	...	▲	▼	▲
Comcast	CMCSA	31.71	47.74	44.53	+.18	+0.4	▲	▼	▼
Deere	DE	106.14	247.09	247.64	+1.62	+0.7	▲	▲	▲
Disney	DIS	79.07	153.41	127.46	+.50	+0.4	▲	▲	▲
DollarTree	DLTR	60.20	114.83	95.53	+.43	+0.5	▲	▲	▲
ExxonMbl	XOM	30.11	73.12	32.78	-.39	-1.2	▲	▼	▼
FifthThird	FITB	11.10	31.64	23.21	-.79	-3.3	▬	▼	▲
1stSource	SRCE	26.07	53.42	31.92	-1.13	-3.4	▼	▼	▲
FordM	F	3.96	9.58	7.79	-.20	-2.5	▲	▲	▲
GenElec	GE	5.48	13.26	8.09	+.10	+1.3	▲	▲	▲
HomeDp	HD	140.63	292.95	284.24	-1.61	-0.6	▲	▼	▲
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HuntBncsh	HBAN	6.82	15.63	10.15	-.42	-4.0	▼	▲	▲
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Lowes	LOW	60.00	180.67	168.52	-.73	-0.4	▲	▼	▲
McDnlds	MCD	124.23	231.91	216.56	+.25	+0.1	▲	▼	▼
Microsoft	MSFT	132.52	232.86	223.72	+.43	+0.2	▲	▲	▲
MillerHer	MLHR	14.39	49.88	31.94	-.39	-1.2	▲	▲	▲
Perrigo	PRGO	40.01	63.86	44.70	-.51	-1.1	▲	▼	▼
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Target	TGT	90.17	167.42	161.50	+2.87	+1.8	▲	▼	▲
TractSupp	TSCO	63.89	157.07	140.45	+1.47	+1.1	▲	▼	▼
UPS B	UPS	82.00	178.01	167.68	+4.12	+2.5	▲	▼	▲
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WEC Engy	WEC	68.01	109.53	102.36	+.76	+0.7	▲	▲	▲
WalMart	WMT	102.00	151.33	145.77	+2.30	+1.6	▲	▲	▲
WalgBoots	WBA	33.36	64.50	37.31	-.22	-0.6	▲	▲	▲
Wendys Co	WEN	6.82	24.91	22.24	+.06	+0.3	▲	▼	▼
Whrlpl	WHR	64.00	207.30	201.64	+2.88	+1.4	▲	▲	▲
Worthgtn	WOR	19.28	51.84	49.92	-.60	-1.2	▲	▲	▲
XPO Logis	XPO	38.47	104.88	96.40	-2.17	-2.2	▲	▲	▲

PRODUCE PRICES

The following fruit prices were recorded on the Chicago Terminal Market on Wednesday. Prices are not net to the growers as freight and selling fees have not been deducted. These prices were provided by the USDA Market News Branch office in Chicago.

APPLES: Cartons tray pack of Washington Extra Fancy 72s Red Delicious sold steady from mostly $26.50-28, Golden Delicious sold from $26-28, Fuji brought $32-34, Pink Lady sold for $35, Gala sold for $34 while fine appearance offerings sold for $39-40, and 72 size Honeycrisp sold for $58. Cartons of 12 3-pound film bags of Washington WA Extra Fancy 2 1/2-inch minimum Red Delicious sold for $23, while Golden Delicious sold for $26-27, and Gala brought $25-26, while bushel cartons of 3-inch up Michigan Gala, Golden Delicious and Jonagold sold for $20.

ASPARAGUS: 11-pound cartons/crates bunched from Peru standard size sold for mostly $30, while white large offerings sold from mostly $25.50-27.50.

BEANS: Bushel cartons/crates of round green type machine-picked offerings from Georgia sold steady for $16, with fine appearance offerings $21-21.50.

BERRIES: Flats of 12 1-pint cups with lids of medium-large size from Peru sold lower for $30. Organic offerings of flats of 12 6-ounce berries of fine appearance from California sold lower for $24.50. Strawberries in flats of 12 1-pound containers small-medium size from California sold higher for mostly $12-13, with fine appearance organic offerings $24.

BROCCOLI: Cartons of 14 bunches from California sold higher for $20, with organic offerings higher for $38.50.

CABBAGE: 50-pound cartons of round green medium from Illinois sold from $16-18, with red type $15, while green offerings from Michigan brought $15.

CAULIFLOWER: Cartons of 12 film wrapped heads from California sold lower from mostly $13-14, with organic offerings mostly $28.50-30.

CORN: Wirebound crates of four dozen Georgia bi-color sold lower for $18 while yellow offerings brought $24.

CRANBERRIES: Cartons of 24 12-ounce packages of offerings from Wisconsin sold for $30-30.50.

CUCUMBERS: 1-1/9-bushel cartons from Mexico of medium size sold lower for $20, while select offerings brought $15-17 and large sold for mostly $17, and carton 24s sold higher for mostly $11-12. Pickles of 200-300 size from Florida sold for $26.

EGGPLANT: 1 1/9-bushel cartons of medium size from Michigan sold for $22, with Georgia offerings $16-18.

LETTUCE: Cartons film wrapped 24 heads of iceberg lettuce from California sold higher for mosstly $35-37, with organic offerings $38.50.

ORANGES: Cartons of 10 4-pound film bags of Florida 72 size valencia juice oranges sold for $28-29.

PEPPERS: 1-1/9-bushel cartons of California green jumbo sold from $28-30, with extra-large mostly $23-25 and choppers sold from mostly $23-24. Jumbo offerings from Michigan sold for $26 with choppers mostly $19-20. Extra-large size jalapeno peppers from Mexico sold lower for $18-20, with Georgia large offerings sold lower from $16-18, medium-large hungarian wax peppers sold for $23, large poblanos brought $16, while cubanelles sold from $34-36 with offerings from Michigan $42.

PUMPKINS: 1/2-bushel cartons of miniature orange from Michigan sold for $16, while 36-inch bins of howden type large sold for $135 with small and medium size from $130-135.

SQUASH: 4/7-bushel cartons of small zucchini from Mexico sold slightly lower from $9-11, with medium $8-10, while yellow straightneck small sold for $8, with medium mostly $11-13. 1 1/9-bushel cartons from Michigan of large size acorn sold for $16-18 and large size butternut sold lower for $18, and small spaghetti brought mostly $17-19.

TOMATOES: 25-pound cartons loose vine-ripe offerings from California of 4x5 and 5x5 size sold steady from $22-24, and cartons 2-layer offerings of vine ripes from Mexico of 4x5 size sold lower from $24-26. Cartons of 12 1-pint baskets of cherry type light red-red medium size from Mexico sold lower for $12. Plum tomatoes packed in 25-pound cartons loose of extra-large size from Mexico sold from $18-20. No offerings of grape tomatoes.

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Election officials worried by threats and protesters

By NOMAAN MERCHANT and TIM SULLIVAN
Associated Press

Election officials in several closely contested states said they are worried about the safety of their workers amid threats and gatherings of angry protesters outside vote tabulation centers, drawn by President Donald Trump's baseless claim of widespread fraud in the race for the White House.

"I can tell you that my wife and my mother are very concerned for me," said Joe Gloria, the registrar in Clark County, Nevada, which includes Las Vegas. He said his staff was bolstering security and tracking vehicles coming and going from the election offices.

But he added that he and others would not be stopped from "doing what our duty is and counting ballots."

Groups of Trump supporters gathered at vote tabulation sites in Detroit and Philadelphia again Friday, decrying counts that showed Democrat Joe Biden leading in those and other key states.

While the protests have not been violent or very large, local officials were distressed by the gatherings and concerned about the relentless accusations.

David Goldman / AP

Trump supporter C.L. Bryant, right, argues with counter protestors Angelo Austin, left, and Ralph Gaines, center, while Trump supporters demonstrate against the election results outside the central counting board at the tcf Center in Detroit, on Thursday.

Michigan Attorney General Dana Nessel tweeted a plea Thursday to "stop making harassing & threatening calls" to her staff.

"Asking them to shove sharpies in uncomfortable places is never appropriate & is a sad commentary on the state of our nation," wrote Nessel, a Democrat, referring to a false conspiracy theory that Trump supporters were told to fill out ballots with Sharpie markers instead of regular pens so that their votes wouldn't be counted by the machines.

Dozens of Trump supporters rallied outside Detroit's convention center Friday morning, where election workers have counted ballots.

"Stop the steal," the protesters chanted. Some carried signs that read, "Make Elections Fair Again," and "We Love Trump." Police cordoned off streets leading to the tabulation center and maintained a close watch on the protest.

Arizona Secretary of State Katie Hobbs, speaking on CNN, said her main concern was staff safety but that sheriff's deputies were providing protection. She said the protesters were "causing delay and disruption and preventing those employees from doing their job"

On Thursday, about 100 Trump supporters gathered in front of the Maricopa County election center in Phoenix, some carrying military-style rifles and handguns. Arizona law allows people to openly carry guns.

Authorities at the center used fences to create a "freedom of speech zone" and keep the entrance to the building open. The crowd took turns chanting – "Count the votes!" and "Four more years!" – and complaining through a megaphone about the voting process.

They paused to listen as Trump spoke from the White House, where he repeated many of his groundless assertions of a rigged vote.

They whooped and clapped when the president said, "We're on track to win Arizona." The Associated Press has called Arizona for Biden.

In Atlanta, roughly 100 chanting Trump supporters gathered outside State Farm Arena Thursday as votes were being counted. Several Atlanta police officers monitored the scene.

Why a strong business brand matters

Building a strong brand is critical to a business' success.

But, it's not an easy thing to do, especially as you're launching. Here's why building a strong brand matters and how you can get started.

If you do a google search for "what is a brand," you'll find endless opinions from countless marketers and other professionals trying to nail down the definition.

The truth is, a brand is an elusive, visceral concept, not a tangible asset. Its value is measured through the emotional connections that exist between businesses and their customers, not with hard numbers plotted on a spreadsheet. And, this is precisely why building a strong business brand can be one of the most challenging tasks for a small business owner.

Strong business brands are not built overnight

Your company's brand is represented by more than your logo or tagline. It's the culmination of your interactions with your customers, your business' core beliefs, how you present your company and yourself to the world – and every other aspect of how you do business.

If you don't proactively build the strong business brand you want, the market will build one for you.

Marty Neumeier, Director of CEO Branding at Liquid Agency in Silicon Valley, is a speaker, author, designer and one of the most well-respected authorities on branding.

Through all of his work helping companies like Google and Apple build their brands, he distills his explanation of a brand into the simplest of terms. He's quoted as saying, "Your brand isn't what you say it is. It's what they say it is."

To build a strong brand, you must create opportunities for your audience to connect with you in engaging ways that allow them to understand your company's purpose and believe in the value you bring to their lives. Their perception of your brand is its reality.

It's critical to understand the importance of branding your business properly. But, how do you build the type of brand that connects with customers and creates loyalty? Start by asking yourself these four questions.

SCORE

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■ What is your business' purpose? What problem does it solve?

■ What is the first thing you want your customers to think of when they see your product or service?

■ If your customer were to tell a friend about your business, what would you want them to say?

■ What do you want your company to be known for?

Your answers to these questions should begin to give you some clarity into what makes your business special and why customers would want to connect with your brand and purchase from your business. This understanding will form the foundation of your branding strategy.

One you have your branding strategy established, it's time to think through how you'll showcase your brand to the world.

Your brand should be unique, easily recognizable and easy to understand. You'll next need to develop clear messaging and design elements, including a logo. With everything you do and create, consistency is key.

Once your brand strategy, messaging and design elements are set, you're ready to share your brand with the world through a number of channels. Your brand should be clearly communicated in everything your customers and partners see, such as your:

■ Website
■ Blog and social content
■ Advertisements
■ Brochures
■ Promotional materials
■ Business cards
■ Signage
■ Trade show displays
■ Internal signage and documents
■ And anything else representing your company

Building a brand takes time and consistent effort

Especially in the beginning, your brand will evolve as you and your business do. It's okay to tweak messages and make improvements along the way. Then, once you have your brand strategy in place and you know your message is resonating with your customers, stick with it. A strong brand is built through consistency.

Building a strong brand is critical to a business' success.

But, it's not an easy task. Developing your business' brand is the perfect time to bring in the support of a SCORE mentor. A SCORE mentor has experience building strong brands and has access to the best resources to help you along the way. Contact a SCORE mentor today.

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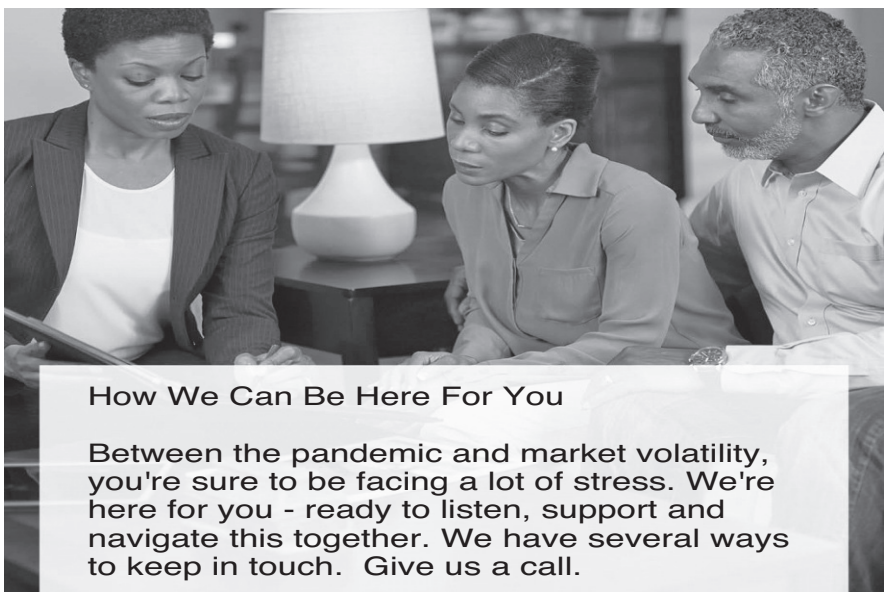
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A good time to find grosbeaks

The fall of 2020 is turning out to be great for observing evening grosbeaks in southern Michigan. This black, white and yellow finch inhabits the northern coniferous forests of Canada and northern Michigan during the summer months.

Jonathan Wuepper
Southwest Michigan Wildlife

During fall and winter, the species irrupts southward depending on food supply in the north.

Evening grosbeaks frequently travel in flocks on average of 12-15, but flocks over 100 may occur and will devour sunflower seeds at feeders in just a few minutes. While they will eat black oil sunflower seeds, their favorite is the striped sunflower seed.

Birders along Berrien County's Lake Michigan shoreline reported multiple flocks of evening grosbeaks recently, including a flock of 13 at the feeder owned by Lisa Schaller of Bridgman on Oct. 26. While the grosbeaks were present at Schaller's feeder for just a few minutes, she was able to take photos, appearing in today's column.

Brad and Hannah Anderson have reported evening grosbeaks at their Bridgman feeders since Oct. 31. The largest flock, numbering between 25 to 30, occurred on Nov. 3. The grosbeaks have been seen at other locations in the region, such as Dowagiac on Oct. 30 at the feeders of Jim Brosnan.

Evening grosbeaks invade our region less frequently today than in previous decades. Local records show that evening grosbeaks appeared locally almost annually up to the middle-1980s, usually arriving in Berrien County during the last week of October or early November. They were seen through early May, after which they return north for the breeding season. Several years may pass before the species is seen this far south in good numbers.

Another noteworthy sighting was a female summer tanager, present from Oct. 26-30 at a suet feeder owned by Mia Lischer Kompare of St. Joseph Township.

Summer tanagers are neotropical migrants which range over much of the Southeastern U.S. in summer, north to central Indiana and Ohio. The species is seen very sparingly in Southwestern Michigan in summer. At least one pair of summer tanagers was nesting at Warren Dunes State Park over the last few years.

What makes Kompare's sighting interesting is the fact it was seen in late October, long after the species should have departed for its wintering range of Mexico, south to the Amazon River basin.

The Andersons also played host to a late ruby-throated hummingbird, seen at their feeders until Nov. 1. Though 95 percent of the ruby-throated hummingbirds have departed Berrien County for the winter by late September, lingering birds are seen well into November.

Over the years, the Andersons have hosted many lingering ruby-throated hummingbirds, as they keep their hummingbird feeder out well into November and are close to Lake Michigan, which is a natural migration corridor. They hosted a ruby-throated hummingbird as late as Nov. 21, 2002. The latest fall record of the species in Berrien County was one remaining until November 29, 2015, in Three Oaks Township, at the feeders of Dan Collison and Elizabeth Meister.

Any hummingbirds present in the area after Oct. 20 should be checked carefully to see if they are a species other than a ruby-throated. The rufous hummingbird of western North America has turned up eight times in Berrien County alone from 1988-2013. One of this species was present in Livingston County, Michigan earlier this fall. An Anna's hummingbird, which normally ranges along the west coast of North America, is currently present at a private residence in northwest Indiana.

Jonathan Wuepper is an area naturalist. Report your sightings to him at wuepperj@gmail.com.

Photo provided / Brad Anderson

An evening grosbeak at the feeders of Brad and Hannah Anderson on Oct. 31.

Photo provided / Mia Lischer Kompare

A female summer tanager at the feeders of Mia Lischer Kompare.

Photo provided / Lisa Schaller

Grosbeaks at the feeding station of Lisa Schaller in Bridgman on Oct. 26.

Photo provided / Brad Anderson

A ruby-throated hummingbird on Oct. 25, which stayed until Nov. 1 at the feeder of Brad and Hannah Anderson of Bridgman.

Colorado agency says it's planning on wolf reintroduction

By JAMES ANDERSON
Associated Press

DENVER — Colorado's wildlife agency said Thursday it considers a ballot initiative to reintroduce the gray wolf into the state to have passed after a group that opposes the initiative conceded the race and the agency consulted with the office of Gov. Jared Polis.

An announcement by Colorado Parks and Wildlife that it would begin planning for an eventual restoration of wolves in the state came with the initiative leading – with thousands of ballots still uncounted – and after another group opposed to the initiative said it was not conceding.

Two opposition groups, Coloradans Protecting Wildlife and the Colorado Cattlemen's Association, issued statements Thursday saying it appeared that the initiative would succeed.

Parks and Wildlife spokeswoman Rebecca Ferrell said the agency, which had assiduously avoided taking any position on the initiative, issued its statement after consulting with the governor's office.

"We had been holding, but with the Coloradans Protecting Wildlife concession this afternoon, along with the deluge of requests for comment, the Governor's Office decided it was prudent to move forward with the statement sent," Ferrell said an an email.

Conor Cahill, Polis' press secretary, also said "it was important to respond" after the state wildlife agency received multiple requests for comment from media outlets following the announcements by the two opposition groups. The governor considers the initiative to have passed, Cahill said.

"Nothing is final until the Secretary of State certifies the election results, but at this time, we believe the measure will pass. So yes, this is a concession from our campaign," said Patrick Pratt, deputy campaign manager for Coloradans Protecting Wildlife.

Janie VanWinkle, president of the Cattlemen's Association, said the group "remains committed to ensuring real science" guides wildlife policy and wolf reintroduction.

Other groups opposing wolf reintroduction didn't concede. A top opposition group, the Colorado Stop the Wolf Coalition, said it was actively monitoring the vote count and will seek to fix any "no" votes rejected by elections officials because of signature discrepancies or other reasons, said Ted Harvey, campaign director for the Stop the Wolf PAC issue committee.

Colorado's election results must be certified by Nov. 30. By late Thursday, the "yes" vote led the "no" vote by roughly 26,000 ballots out of more than 3 million counted – well above a threshold for triggering a mandatory recount.

Voters in metropolitan Denver and Boulder counties, who won't be directly affected by any reintroduction, strongly supported the initiative, with rural voters casting ballots against it.

Supporters say it's the first time that voters, rather than government scientists, are deciding whether to reintroduce the wolf, which once ranged across most of the U.S. before being hunted to near-extinction.

The Rocky Mountain Wolf Action Fund, which sponsored the initiative, said Thursday it believed the initiative had passed because votes yet to be counted in metropolitan areas east of the Divide would produce a formal "Yes" vote.

"This isn't about the margin of victory," said Rob Edward, head of the fund's campaign. "Now it's time to get on with the hard work of fashioning a future for the wolves that we coexist with."

Proposition 114 would direct state wildlife officials to develop a plan to reintroduce wolves, once hunted into near-extinction, on public land west of the Continental Divide in Colorado before 2024. Ranchers, business chambers and rural governments strongly opposed the initiative, saying it would threaten livestock and Colorado's lucrative hunting industry for elk and deer, key prey for the wolf.

Asked if any reintroduction process could trigger litigation, Pratt, of Coloradans Protecting Wildlife, said: "We have not ruled out any available options at this time."

The gray wolf has been successfully restored in several U.S. states, including in Idaho and in Yellowstone National Park 25 years ago. Because of government-sponsored hunting, trapping and poisoning, the wolf disappeared in Colorado in the 1940s.

Proponents argue that reintroducing wolves would restore balance to an ecosystem severely altered in their absence by oversized big game herds.

About 6,000 gray wolves live in the Northern Rockies, the Pacific Northwest and the Western Great Lakes regions.

Sarett Nature Center

Feeding Winter Birds virtual experience: Nov. 1-30. Enjoy watching a Sarett naturalist as they teach you the ins and outs of feeding our winter birds. Go to sarett.org and click on the link Feeding Winter Birds to view the video. The program is open for your convenience until the end of the month.

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CPL classes: The Watervliet Rod and Gun Club is offering concealed pistol license classes.

December: Register from 6-7 p.m. Dec. 1. Classes are from 6-10 p.m. Dec. 3 and from 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Dec. 5.

For more information, call 470-9191 or 468-3837.

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Pumpkin House: Open through Thanksgiving weekend, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday and 12-5 p.m. Sunday. Closed Mondays and Thanksgiving Day. Free with Fernwood admission.

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Southwest Lower Peninsula

St. Joseph River: Boat and shore anglers should continue to find a fair number of steelhead in the lower river and up near the Berrien Springs Dam.

Grand Haven: Strong winds continue to cause dangerous wave action, so pier anglers have not been able to get out. When they can, a few whitefish were caught when jigging in the channel; however, the action is slow.

Grand River near Grand Rapids: Fishing slowed; however, steelhead were still being caught at the 6th Street Dam. Anglers are using spawn or wet flies such as an egg sucking leech. Shore anglers found crappie in the bayous. Steelhead action in the Rogue never really kicked in, as not many fish were reported.

Grand River near Lansing: Pike and smallmouth bass were hitting at the North Lansing Dam. Most anglers were floating minnows. A steelhead was caught at the Portland Dam; however, there are no big numbers of fish in the area.

Muskegon: Steelhead action is slow for pier anglers. Those jigging in the channel for lake whitefish have been unsuccessful.

Muskegon Lake: Was producing a few perch.

Muskegon River: Water levels are low, which makes steelhead fishing a bit more difficult even though there is a decent number of fish in the river. Most are fly fishing with egg flies. A couple walleye were taken in Hardy Pond in 30 feet or so along the drop-offs when using minnows.

— Michigan DNR, Nov. 4

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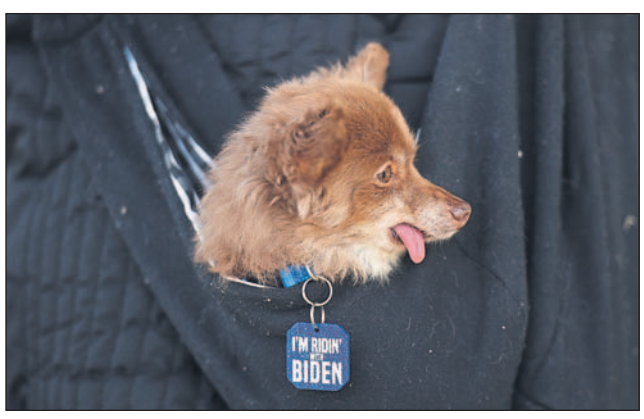


Joan Strzynski of St. Joseph and her dog, Waco, join Joe Biden and Kamala Harris supporters as they gather along Main Street in St. Joseph on Oct. 20 during a weekly rally.

An American flag waves in the wind at the 9/11 Resiliency Plaza in downtown Benton Harbor on Sept. 11.

Sparrows gather in a small pool of water on Sept. 29 near downtown St. Joseph.

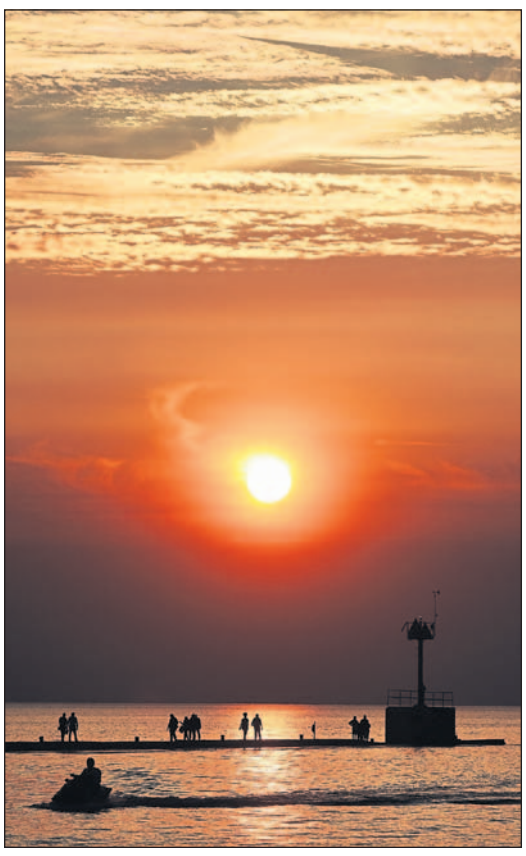
September and October: A Second Look

Photos from the files of The Herald-Palladium Staff Photographer Don Campbell

People walk along the south pier in St. Joseph during a hazy sunset on Sept. 20.

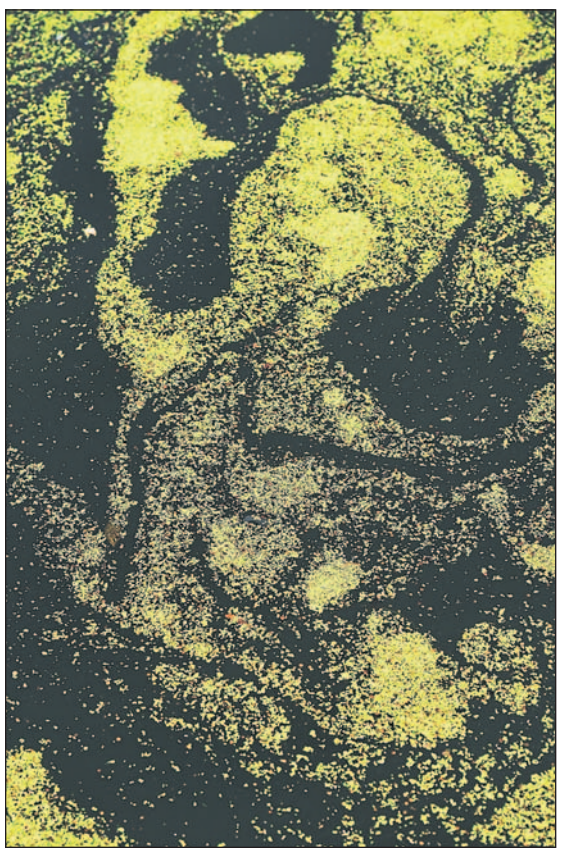
Flowers bloom outside a Watervliet home on Sept. 10.

ABOVE: A worker walks along the deck of the bulk carrier Cuyahoga as it offloads Sept. 10 in St. Joseph.



AT RIGHT: The sun sets on Lake Michigan and the south pier on Sept. 20 in St. Joseph.

FAR RIGHT: Duckweed swirls in a variety of patterns Sept. 17 along the St. Joseph River in St. Joseph.



Kris Rich of St. Joseph and his dog, Isabel, practice social distancing as Gene Hahn, Andrew Plaisier and Irina Kagan perform during a Southwest Michigan Symphony Orchestra outdoor concert on Sept. 3 at Maud Preston Palenske Memorial Library in St. Joseph.

Follow The Herald-Palladium on Instagram for more great shots like these from around Southwest Michigan.

What does 'failure to thrive' mean?

Sara Duris
Generations

Q My mother's doctor gave a recent diagnosis of "failure to thrive." My mom has always been petite, and we haven't noticed significant weight loss in her. What does this mean?

A In general, failure to thrive (FTT) happens when an older adult has a loss of appetite, eats and drinks less than usual, loses weight, and is less active than normal.

But a FTT diagnosis can be from more than just weight loss, and your mother's physician should be able to provide you with the specific causes for her diagnosis.

Often, a physician will measure against a patient's previous baseline to see if there are noticeable changes in appearance, abilities and cognition.

Is the patient noticeably less alert or active? Are they dehydrated or malnourished – which may or may not be reflected through weight loss.

They will also ask the patient questions about whether he or she is still able to do certain activities – such as showering, dressing, getting in and out of bed, and preparing meals – and whether the patient has noticed any changes in their abilities.

Sometimes these can be traced to changes in medication, loss of hearing or vision, or increased pain. The doctor will likely screen for mental health and cognitive changes, and might order blood or urine tests to check for infection, test kidney and liver function, and check alcohol levels.

Another cause of FTT can be depression and social isolation. Clearly, the pandemic is impacting everyone in these ways, and older adults who live alone are even more susceptible to these effects.

How an individual's FTT is treated depends on the results of the above tests. Medications might need adjusting, physical therapy could be ordered to help build strength, and more help in the home might be needed.

A variety of approaches can be utilized, so it's best to seek the specific advice of the physician and get additional medical opinions if needed.

Q Can your agency help us get the Medicare plans we see advertised on TV that have no premium and offer dental coverage?

A The best thing to remember is the old adage "there is no such thing as a free lunch."

For a select number of low-income individuals, there are Medicare plans that might have zero premium and zero, or very low, copays. That's because the individual qualifies for some form of Medicaid as well as Medicare.

If you aren't low-income, or you have a decent amount of assets in the form of savings, property or investments, you likely won't qualify for these plans.

Additionally, most of the plans being offered are Advantage plans. You must switch from having Original Medicare parts A & B, with a Part D drug plan, to have a Medicare Advantage plan. If you have a supplemental insurance, or Medigap plan, you must give this up to enroll in an Advantage plan.

Most Advantage plans are either HMOs or PPOs, and combine the medical and drug coverage. Some of the plans can offer very basic hearing or dental coverage, or might have a benefit for a fitness facility or a certain amount of over-the-counter products "for free."

Advantage plans work well for some people, but all plan benefits need to be weighed against what might be given up by switching to an Advantage plan. Sometimes the lower premiums of these plans are offset by higher deductibles or higher fees for different services within the plan, which brings up another adage: "the devil is in the details."

Medicare open enrollment runs until Dec. 7. In most cases, this is the only time you can pick a new Medicare Advantage or Part D plan. Changes you make during fall open enrollment will take effect Jan. 1.

Although in-person appointments aren't an option this year, the Region IV Area Agency on Aging and the Michigan Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program (MMAP) are here to help during Medicare open enrollment. AAA is offering telephone and Zoom appointments.

To get a screening packet and sign up for an appointment, contact Mistelle Sleigh at 408-4354 or mistellesleigh@areaagencyonaging.org.

To learn more about open enrollment, to access vital information, and to download documents, visit areaagencyonaging.org/medicare-medicaid.

Information also can be provided from Info Line for Aging and Disability staff at 800-654-2810.

Sara Duris is community information liaison of Region IV Area Agency on Aging in Southwest Michigan. Questions on age or independence services? Call the Info-Line for Aging & Disability at 800-654-2810 or visit www.areaagencyonaging.org. The Generations column appears each Saturday in The Herald-Palladium.

Can the pandemic teach us anything about life?

Scott Paul-Bonham
Insights

In the first two years of World War II, Great Britain stood alone against Nazi Germany. Before the United States and Soviet Union knocked the wind out of Adolf Hitler's Third Reich, Great Britain endured U-boat attacks and Luftwaffe bombing raids.

No one thought Great Britain would survive this threat, let alone win the war, except maybe Prime Minister Winston Churchill.

This story is commonly known to anyone who's taken a modern history class. What's lesser known is a sermon given by C.S. Lewis, on Oct. 22, 1939, entitled "Learning in War-Time."

The sermon, given during his fall term at Oxford University, focused on the reasonableness of the pursuit of learning – especially in Lewis' subjects of literature, philosophy and Middle Ages studies – in the face of total war from a far stronger enemy.

From the pulpit at the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, he proclaimed:

"I think it important to try to see the present calamity in a true perspective. The war creates no absolutely new situation: it simply aggravates the permanent human situation so that we can no longer ignore it. Human life has always been lived on the edge of a precipice. Human culture has always had to exist under the shadow of something infinitely more important than itself.

"We are mistaken when we compare war with 'normal life.' Life has never been normal. Even those periods which we think most tranquil ... turn out, on closer inspection, to be full of cries, alarms, difficulties, emergencies."

If you substitute "global pandemic" for "war," you realize that this 81-year-old sermon can speak mightily to our own time.

Lewis' point is the pandemic we are living through now, like a world war, only heightens our awareness of death. It forces us to consider our mortality. He reminds us that 100 percent of humans die.

The only thing a war/pandemic can do is shorten life for some, it can't change the ultimate outcome of life for any of us. So, "do not let your nerves and emotions lead you into thinking your present predicament more abnormal that it really is."

Lewis, also the author of "Mere Christianity," was practically minded. Consequently, we should not be surprised that he concludes his sermon with "three mental exercises which may serve as defense against the three enemies which [pandemic] raises up" against us.

The first enemy is excitement, "the tendency to think and feel about the [pandemic] when we had intended to think about our work." With 24-hour news channels and social media, it's possible to be so totally immobilized by distraction that we don't accomplish what we should.

Obviously, we need to stay current about COVID-19, and about other important news, but Lewis reminds us that "favorable conditions never come." If we wait for favorable conditions, we will never accomplish anything. We will not learn.

We are all sympathetic, for example, to teachers striving to teach, and students striving to learn, and parents striving to interpret in a virtual education environment. Still, if you are a student, one's education is one's own responsibility.

We must each carry our own load as best we can, just as we should strive to bear the real burdens of others.

Frustration is the second enemy, "the feeling that we shall not have time to finish." Lewis points out "that the longest human life leaves a [person], in any branch of learning, a beginner."

The antidote is to leave "futurity in God's hands" and never, in peace or pandemic, "commit your virtue or your happiness to the future."

Sometimes it's very wise to have a long vision, like the Iroquois adage for leaders not to make any decision that will adversely affect children 10 generations ahead.

Nonetheless, Lewis reminds us "the present is the only time in which any duty can be done or any grace received." There is no judgment from God, and so we should never judge ourselves, for what cannot be done during COVID, but we should certainly ask ourselves daily what can be done, and do it. That will be enough.

The final enemy is fear. This pandemic, like war, brings us face to face with death. Death is always around us, and none of us can avoid it, but we usually try to ignore it – put it off by years or decades.

Lewis said "war makes death real to us: and that would have been regarded as one of its blessings by most of the great Christians of the past."

Are we able to see this pandemic reality as a gift? Maybe if each of us comes to peace with that end we cannot avoid.

Does being aware and prepared for death enable us to live these precious days more fully, more lovingly and more meaningfully? I think it can. A healthy sense of mortality may just knock the doldrums and dross right out of us. We can pray so.

Today's Insights was written by the Rev. Scott Paul-Bonham, transitional pastor at First Presbyterian Church in Benton Harbor. Insights is written by area clergy to give different viewpoints on a variety of topics. It is published each Saturday in cooperation with the Berrien County Association of Churches. The views expressed by the author do not necessarily reflect the views of member churches.

Berrien County 911 telecommunicators honored

ST. JOSEPH — Two Berrien County 911 telecommunicators were honored for their service late last month during the Berrien County Board of Commissioners' meeting.

Every year, 911 operators from the County Emergency Communication Centers are invited to anonymously nominate their peers for the 911 Dispatcher of the Year award. The nominations are then considered by the county's 911 Advisory Committee.

The award is usually presented during National 911 Telecommunicators' Week in April. This year's award was delayed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Berrien County Dispatcher Melissa Hensley was given the Dispatcher of the Year award for her ability to think outside the box, follow protocol and multi-task, according to a news release. Highlighted was her handling of a December rollover accident in which the vehicle landed in a ditch, trapping the caller inside the overturned truck.

She kept the caller calm, and worked with her partners to get first responders and a tow truck dispatched quickly, as water was entering the truck.

Also recognized was nominee, and Berrien County supervisor, Sarah Blurton for her leadership and training efforts within the Dispatch Center, and her active role in improving operations.

"I could not be more proud of the dedication and hard work that our 911 telecommunicators exhibit on a daily basis," Berrien County Public-Safety Communication Center Director Caitlin Sampsell said in the release. "Celebrating them as individuals and their team effort is always one of the highlights of my year."

Photo provided
Berrien County dispatcher Melissa Hensley holds her 911 Dispatcher of the Year award.

ATTENTION: COUPLES

The Herald-Palladium publishes news for engagements, weddings and anniversaries on weekends.

With engagements and weddings, one of the couple must be a resident or former resident of the area to have the announcement published. Couples celebrating anniversaries also must be residents or former residents.

Forms are available online at www.TheHP.com/site/forms. Information submitted will be used as space permits.

PET OF THE WEEK

Sweet 3 1/2-month-old Brady has a soft gray coat. He and sister, Halo, were found under a dumpster. Both were missing part of a back leg, but a veterinarian determined they healed well and are fully mobile. Brady is active and playful, but finds time for cuddles and hugs. He is neutered, feline leukemia and feline immunodeficiency virus negative, and current on shots. For more information, contact Paws of Hope at pawsofhope.swmich@gmail.com or 340-0272.

VOLUNTEERS

United Way of Southwest Michigan

The Herald-Palladium, in conjunction with the United Way of Southwest Michigan, publishes volunteer opportunities every Saturday.

To view all current listings, please visit **volunteer.uwsm.org.**

Closet of Hope

Baroda Bible Church is seeking volunteers to help in its food pantry and "Closet of Hope," which help those in need.

The pantry and closet are open from 5-6 p.m. Mondays and 10-11 a.m. Thursdays and Saturdays.

The church needs volunteers to help sort donations and run the closet.

For more information, call 422-1731.

Rake a Difference

On Thursday, United Way will hold its 10th annual "Rake a Difference – A Day of Action for Seniors."

Hundreds of Southwest Michigan volunteers will give senior citizens a helping hand by raking leaves and cleaning gutters before winter hits.

Many area seniors try to accomplish the work on their own, putting them at risk of falling and becoming seriously injured.

For more information, or to sign up, visit volunteer.uwsm.org.

An After School Experience

Youth Development Company/PAL is seeking volunteer tutors for its After School Experience. Volunteers should have a passion for working with children in kindergarten through eighth grade.

Those who have an hour to help children with homework, tutor or lend an empathetic ear to someone who maybe had a rough day are encouraged to volunteer.

For more information, or to sign up, visit volunteer.uwsm.org.

Help foster families

Foster Closet of Michigan – Berrien County provides free items to foster families and children. The items help rebuild foster children's lives by giving them something to call their own, and it helps relieve some of the financial strain on foster parents.

Volunteers are needed to help open the closet's doors to the public. The closet is open twice a week for two hours.

For more information, or to sign up, visit volunteer.uwsm.org.

Blood drive helpers

American Red Cross of Southwest Michigan is looking for blood drive volunteers in Berrien, Cass and Van Buren counties.

Volunteers will provide a warm, friendly greeting to all donors, instruct and help with registration, explain the importance of blood donations, help schedule appointments, screen blood donors for health concerns, and offer refreshments and conversation.

For more information, or to sign up, visit volunteer.uwsm.org.

Health screeners

The Berrien County Health Department needs help as it brings back services. The department has a health screening upon entry, and needs volunteers to help manage the station at the main entrance of its Benton Harbor office.

The station also provides face masks to those who arrive without one.

This is a no-contact position. Volunteers can maintain social distancing from others and personal protective equipment will be provided.

For more information, or to sign up, visit volunteer.uwsm.org.

Feeding America

To make sure fresh, healthy food gets distributed quickly, Feeding America West Michigan developed the mobile food pantry.

Mobile pantries deliver fresh fruits, vegetables, dairy products and baked goods to people in need, often on the same day the food is donated.

Volunteers help distribute food, carry heavier groceries for people who need help, and give a smile to those who are experiencing food insecurity.

For upcoming mobile food pantry dates and locations, visit www.feedwm.org.

To volunteer, visit volunteer.uwsm.org.

Military care

The American Red Cross Hero Care Network provides services to military members, veterans and their families around the world.

The American Red Cross of Southwest Michigan is looking for volunteers to help with tasks such as sending emergency communications for deployed service members, communicating with families of newly enlisted service members, and referring veterans and their families to local programs.

Training will be provided, and volunteers can work remotely.

For more information, or to sign up, visit volunteer.uwsm.org.

Give. Advocate. Volunteer.

United Way of Southwest Michigan mobilizes the caring power of communities to fight for the health, education and financial stability of every person. Volunteering your time and talent to create lasting solutions that improve life for everyone is an important part in United Way accomplishing this work. Volunteer today and join the fight, by visiting www.uwsm.org.

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A victory for Trumpism

Donald Trump may wind up leaving the White House next January. But the 45th president and the political movement he launched are not going away politically.

Carl Leubsdorf

And even if Joe Biden emerges as the nation's 46th president, once all of the counts, recounts and court challenges are done, he'll preside over a weakened Democratic Party that may have failed to capture the Senate and unexpectedly lost seats in the House.

It is probably no exaggeration to say that, if the scenario of a Biden White House plays out, the most powerful person in Washington will be Sen. Mitch McConnell of Kentucky, who won easy re-election and will almost certainly remain as the Senate's majority leader.

If Biden becomes president on Jan. 20, the ability to forge compromises with McConnell – which Biden touted throughout his presidential campaign – will become a crucial ingredient if the federal government is to cope with the still virulent COVID-19 pandemic and its extensive economic fallout.

A lot will depend on whether McConnell, untethered from having to protect a president of his own party, takes the wholly partisan approach he employed 12 years ago in vowing to make Barack Obama a one-term president or decides that the country's dire situation requires a more conciliatory approach.

But the shape of the election results has probably put to rest the theory that, if the election produced a massive rejection of Trump that many forecast, those Republicans still standing would seek to veer away from the president's confrontational approach and pull their party back toward the center.

Without the increased turnout of Trump's hardcore supporters, the GOP might well not have been able to retain its majority in the Senate or gain seats in the House. Certainly, there is no election evidence that Republicans seeking re-election like Sens. Lindsey Graham of South Carolina and Joni Ernst of Iowa were damaged by their decision to lash themselves politically to Trump.

The success of Texas Republicans in re-electing Sen. John Cornyn, holding key U.S. House seats and maintaining their grip on the state House of Representatives speaks to the absence of any down-ballot drag stemming from Trump's alleged weakness in the suburbs.

The president's showing almost guarantees something that was likely to have happened anyway, that he will seek to maintain a major role in the nation's politics. Former presidents often find it hard to maintain their political influence – many like former President George W. Bush don't even try – but Trump will likely not only try, but find it easy to do so.

Though many Republicans feared he squandered much of the hundreds of millions of dollars he raised during the last four years, Trump's organization performed when it had to. The president remains a fundraising machine on which the GOP is likely to be increasingly reliant. It's safe to expect he will keep his grip on the party machinery when the Republican National Committee picks its next chairman in January.

He also showed, to the surprise of the pollsters and the Democrats, an ability to appeal to minorities to a greater extent than was the case four years ago, especially among Cuban Americans in Florida, Hispanics in Texas and younger Black men. Trump's showing among suburban women surpassed dire preelection forecasts.

Though Trump at age 78 will be older in 2024 than Biden is today, physical or legal impediments might be the only things standing in the way of him seeking to regain the White House in four years. He has already shown the ability to keep himself and his views before the public.

Meanwhile, assuming Biden's lead holds up, the new president would have an early opportunity to show that he meant what he said when he promised to govern as "an American president," not a Democratic one, by reaching out to Republicans in putting together his administration.

In that scenario, McConnell would give an early demonstration of how he plans to approach the new administration when Biden submits his cabinet choices to the Senate for confirmation proceedings.

Meanwhile, Trump's middle-of-the night unproven allegations of fraud and his vow to pursue legal challenges are early signs of what Biden – and the nation – may face in the 11 weeks leading up to the Jan. 20 inauguration. Should Trump lose, this could be the nation's most troubled transition since Franklin D. Roosevelt captured the presidency from Herbert Hoover in 1932, at the depths of the Great Depression.

Even under the most optimal circumstances, the president will take office in the worst economic climate since Barack Obama inherited the fallout from the financial collapse a dozen years ago, compounded by Trump's persistent inability to cope with the global COVID-19 pandemic that caused the current economic woes.

All signs are that Trump, who insists he is the victim of the "China plague" and voter fraud, would not cooperate with his successor, but likely continue to set land mines by changing such long-standing rules as the civil service protections for nonpolitical career government workers.

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Election results: The woke lose

On Tuesday night, the American people spoke. They spoke with millions upon millions of voices to produce the greatest presidential election voter turnout in over a century.

Ben Shapiro

And they sent a variety of messages, most of them quite positive.

Voters rejected the prevailing narratives of a media determined to make the election a pure referendum on Donald Trump's character. Even if Joe Biden prevails, he will likely be faced with a Republican Senate majority and a 2022 contest that will put the House of Representatives squarely in Republican sights.

Voters rejected the pollsters' overconfident modeling: Pollsters were dramatically wrong in their national numbers and just as wrong in their Senate estimates. Voters apparently aren't all that interested in registering their opinions with elite firms who see them as social science subjects rather than as individuals.

Voters stuck to their guns in red states; they stuck to their guns in blue states; they stuck to their guns in purple states. America is divided, and it is not growing less divided just out of the elitists' overwrought and hysterical mewling about Trump. This is still a country that is one-third conservative, one-third liberal and one-third in the middle.

But one message resonated above all others: the outright rejection of the ongoing quest by Democrats and the media to paint Americans into racial categories and then declare demographics destiny. Donald Trump bucked four long years of Democrats and media members labeling both him and his supporters white supremacists, bigots and homophobes. He refused to be cowed by a media determined to paint him as a racist for refusing the faulty premise that America is institutionally bigoted. And he won an increased share of black and Hispanic voters.

According to Edison exit polling, as of election night, Trump had gained 2 points with white women; 4 points with black men and 4 points with black women; 3 points with Latino men and 3 points with Latino women; and 5 points in the "other" category. In Florida, according to NBC News exit polling, Trump's coalition included a 55 percent share of the Cuban American vote, a 30 percent share of the Puerto Rican vote and 48 percent of "other Latinos." Trump substantially elevated the national share of Latino and black voters for Republicans – and did so without pandering on illegal immigration or buying into the trite and ugly lies of the Black Lives Matter movement.

It wasn't just Trump. In California, a majority-minority state, voters refused to greenlight the racist Proposition 16, which would have repealed a state constitutional provision banning racial discrimination, paving the way for reparations and affirmative action. They did so by a margin of over 10 points and despite the fact that Prop 16 advocates spent 12 times the money their opponents did.

All of this has sent woke thinkers into spasms of apoplexy. The execrable Nikole Hannah-Jones, creator of the pseudo-historical "1619 Project," tweeted out that Latinos can no longer be considered a racial category, since some Cubans are "white." Charles Blow of The New York Times tweeted, "We are surrounded by racists."

Actually, Hannah-Jones and Blow aren't surrounded by racists. They're surrounded by people who reject racism and reject the implicitly racist belief that ethnicity ought to dictate voting pattern.

All of this is excellent news. Americans spoke last night. They spoke *as Americans*, as individuals, not as members of contrived interest groups. And that is certainly worth celebrating.

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LETTERS

Players embarrassed community by kneeling

Editor,

Last month I arrived at my local high school for the first time since graduating this spring to watch the rivalry between the Coloma Comets and Watervliet Panthers.

Preparing myself for the great game that was ahead of me, I continued to talk and greet people I had not seen in months, as what happens at small town events. As I arrived at my seat, settled down, and prepared to watch the game that was ahead of me, the Coloma marching band entered the track to perform the national anthem.

Soon to follow, the announcer came over the loudspeaker stating, "Please rise and gentlemen remove your caps for the playing of our national anthem." As I always have since I was a kid, I stood up, put my hand over my heart, and thanked God I was born in the United States of America.

Words cannot come to mind when I saw seven Coloma football players kneel when the first roll of the snare drum began. I did not know what to think; I could not believe this was happening at Coloma High School. The complete disrespect, rudeness and disregard for our great nation and to the veterans who served and serve our country.

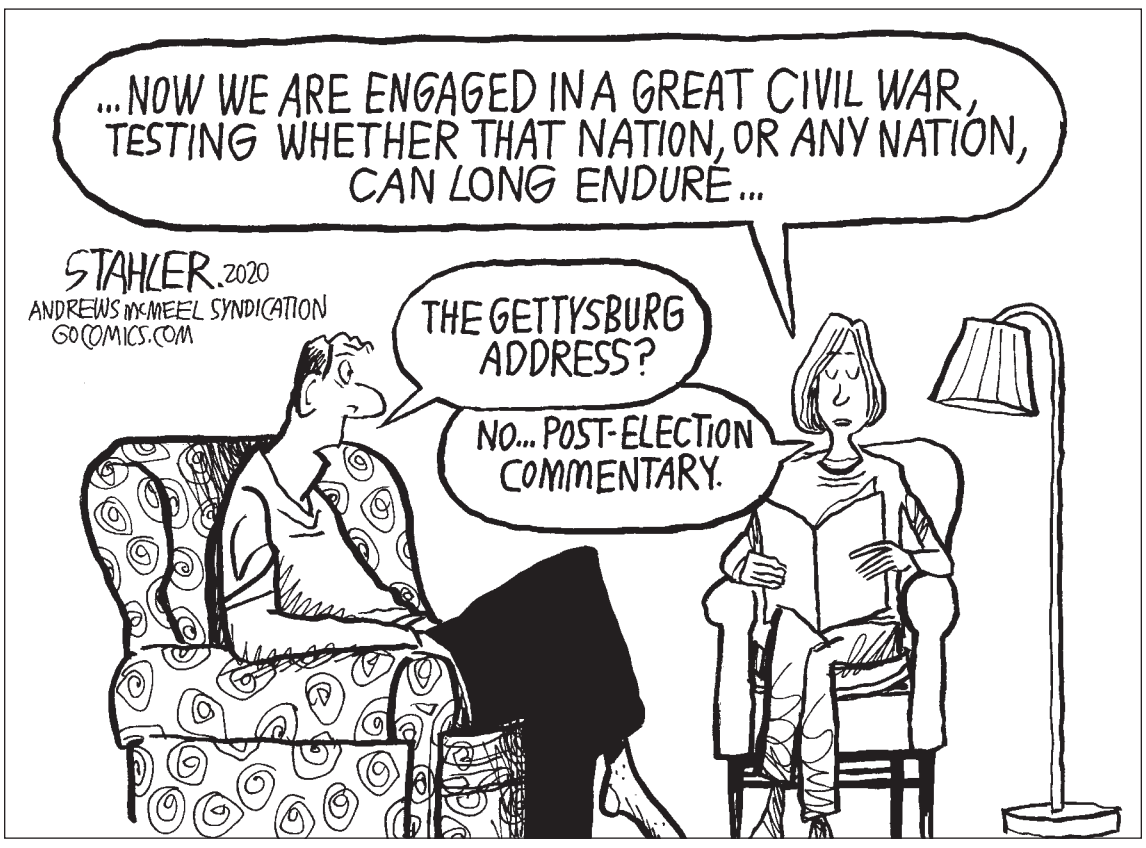
Then I looked across the field to see not one Watervliet football player kneeling. I could not have been more embarrassed and humiliated to be a former Coloma Comet. The endorsement by the school board and coaching staff to allow this to happen was sickening.

There are punishments for kneeling in professional sports such as the NFL, so why is it acceptable in high school sports? It was no longer about football; I had no interest in the game as one should not after witnessing such direct disrespect, ungracious and ill-mannered behavior toward a larger cause than a game.

As a community, I ask that we stand up to this behavior and not allow this to be one of the behaviors and acts we support. I call upon the Coloma School Board and Coloma football coaching staff to put an end to this complete disrespect to the United States of America.

Our football team travels all over southwest region of Michigan, and this is the way people see Coloma. I ask you, is this how we want to represent ourselves to surrounding communities?

Tyler Streu
Coloma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Columnist misses mark on accuracy

Editor,

I was a bit surprised to read such an overtly biased column written by Billy P. Long, pastor of the Apostolic Tabernacle in Benton Township ("Actions speak louder than words," Oct. 28). Pastor Long, like his unnamed but obvious preferred candidate, told several untruths. He claims actions speak louder than words but his words were pretty loud and clear, he was pushing a political agenda as a pastor.

Much of the column focused on what students should be taught in schools. First he says "students should be taught that America with all its faults has done more for freedom and better standards of living than any other country in the history of the world." Like his idol, he tends toward hyperbole. According to the 2020 best countries ranking in a study by the Wharton School of Business in partnership with global marketing company BAV Group, Canada is number one. Denmark is second. Seven European countries rank in the top 10. The U.S. is number 15.

Next he moves on to the environment. He claims "students should be taught that America has done and is doing more to protect the environment than any other industrialized nation in the world." The same study notes that European countries dominate lists of countries seen to care most about the environment.

On that list the U.S. is number 35 of 73 countries assessed on 75 different metrics. South Africa is further up the list. To make things worse, the current administration continues to weaken environmental protections. I think most of us would agree that we want students to learn facts and the ability to think for themselves. Pushing straight propaganda is schools is not desirable.

Finally his remarks about gun rights are alarming coming from a man of faith. I don't recall reading about Jesus packing heat in the New Testament. It is clear that Pastor Long's beliefs come more from a right wing philosophy than a biblical one.

Beth Sexton Harbert

Housing project would hurt property values

Editor,

I live adjacent to the Overton Project, at the Factory Condos, in South Haven and do not want see the community in which I live negatively impacted by an ill-conceived project or see property values decrease. What happens with this development has direct consequences on our city. Consider for a second the ramifications of those of us being directly affected by this project.

The proposed plan by Habitat has severe density issues along with short term rentals (STR) that were never a part of the city's master plan. I know city council's response to this is that work needs to be done and this is not the final plan, but that doesn't explain the inconsistencies between what the city has presented in the master plan to public, and Habitat's proposal. Failure to be consistent in both plans, regardless of finality, is failure to be transparent. There are many larger vacant properties in our town that could also facilitate the "missing middle" without concentrating it all on a four-acre lot.

I know that if the density was reduced by 70 percent and STRs removed, Habitat would no longer be interested in pursuing the development.

Finally, I hope the powers that be think about the tax-paying residents who pay some your salaries and who you are representing in your wards. Many of the condos in my building are up for sale and I am sure many more residences will be going up for sale in our neighborhood if property values are put at risk. It would be a shame if I have to move away from South Haven, a community that I have enjoyed and been a part of for 20-plus years.

Nancy Hnat
South Haven

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I'D RATHER BE MAULED BY A GORILLA
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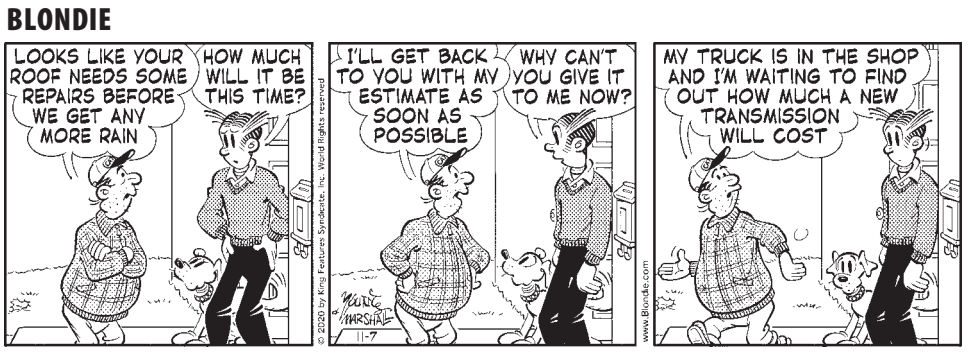
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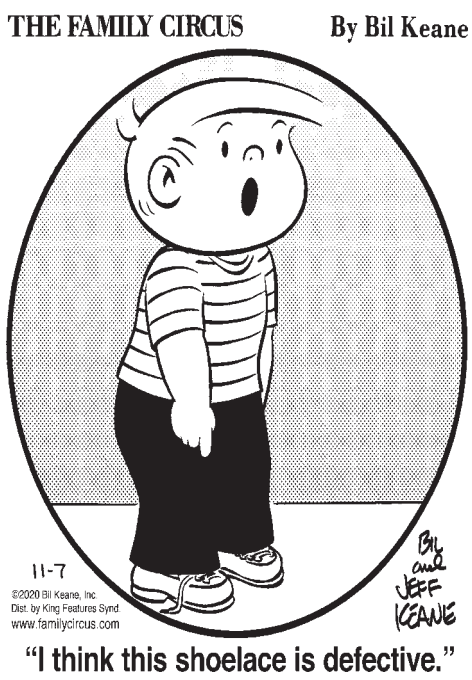

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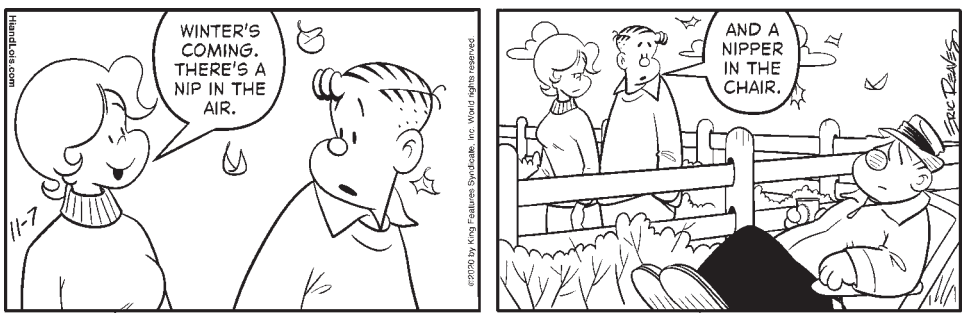
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WINTER'S COMING. THERE'S A NIP IN THE AIR.
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AND A NIPPER IN THE CHAIR.
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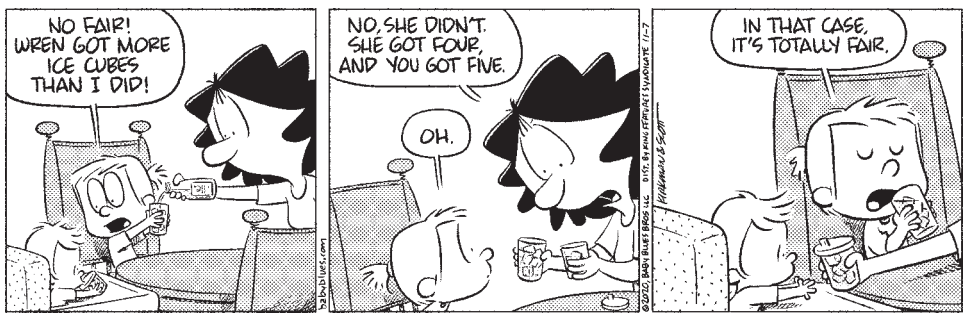
NO FAIR! WREN GOT MORE ICE CUBES THAN I DID!
NO, SHE DIDN'T. SHE GOT FOUR, AND YOU GOT FIVE.
OH.
IN THAT CASE, IT'S TOTALLY FAIR.
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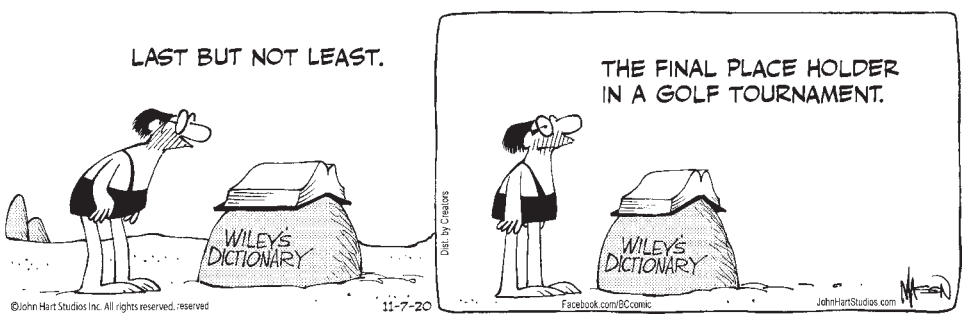

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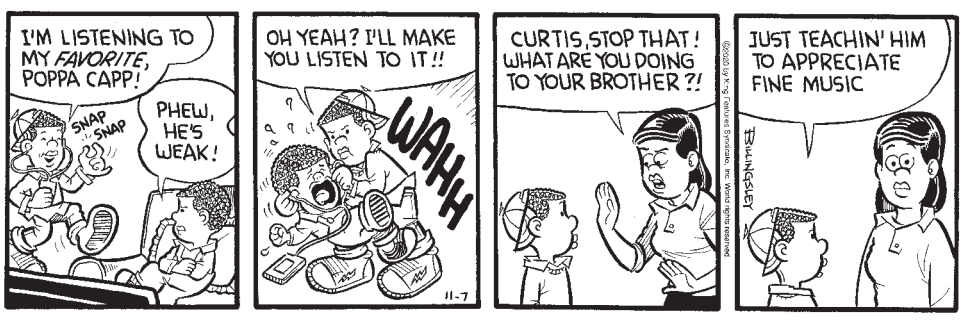
I'M LISTENING TO MY FAVORITE, POPPA CAPP!
SNAP SNAP
PHEW, HE'S WEAK!
OH YEAH? I'LL MAKE YOU LISTEN TO IT!!
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CURTIS, STOP THAT! WHAT ARE YOU DOING TO YOUR BROTHER?!
JUST TEACHIN' HIM TO APPRECIATE FINE MUSIC
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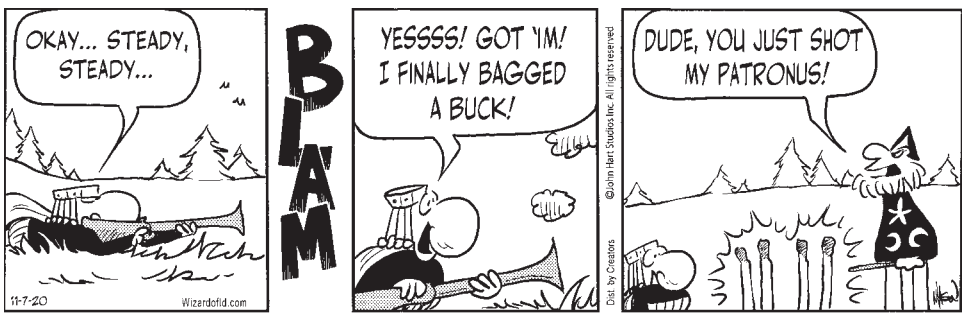

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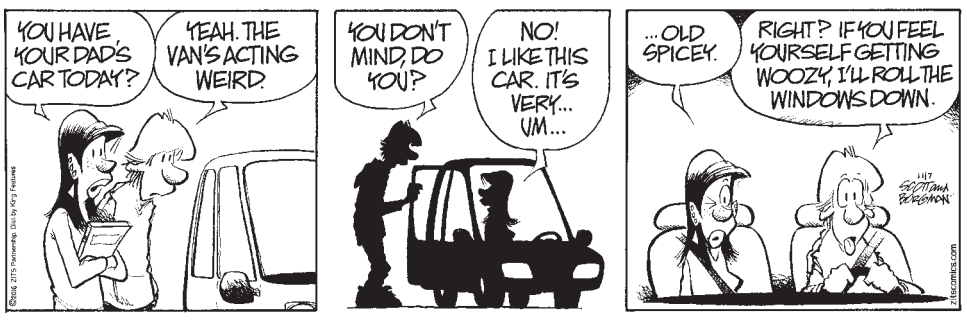
YOU HAVE YOUR DAD'S CAR TODAY?
YEAH. THE VAN'S ACTING WEIRD.
YOU DON'T MIND, DO YOU?
NO! I LIKE THIS CAR. IT'S VERY... UM...
...OLD SPICEY.
RIGHT? IF YOU FEEL YOURSELF GETTING WOOZY, I'LL ROLL THE WINDOWS DOWN.
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DILBERT

I'VE BEEN HIGHLY PRODUCTIVE SINCE SWITCHING TO MEDICAL-GRADE COFFEE.
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I FINISHED ALL OF MY PROJECTS AND DID AN EXCELLENT JOB ON EVERY ONE.
WOW!
SO THAT STUFF ACTUALLY MAKES YOU MORE PRODUC-TIVE?
NO, BUT IT DOES MAKE ME LIE BETTER.
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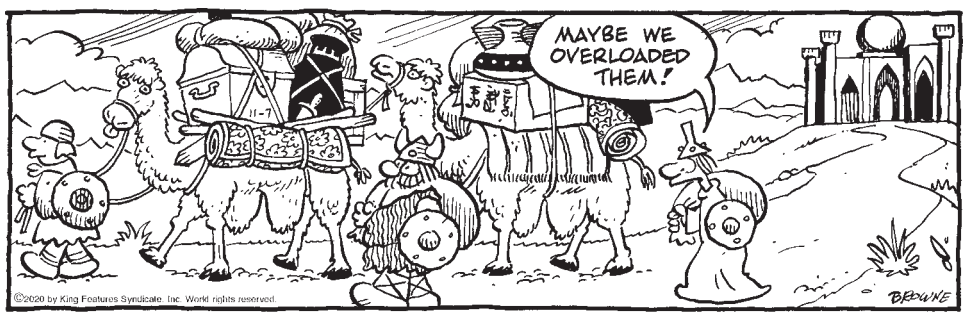

GARFIELD

I HAVEN'T BITTEN ANYONE IN A LONG TIME
SOOOO...
ARE YOU WAITING FOR ME TO VOLUNTEER?
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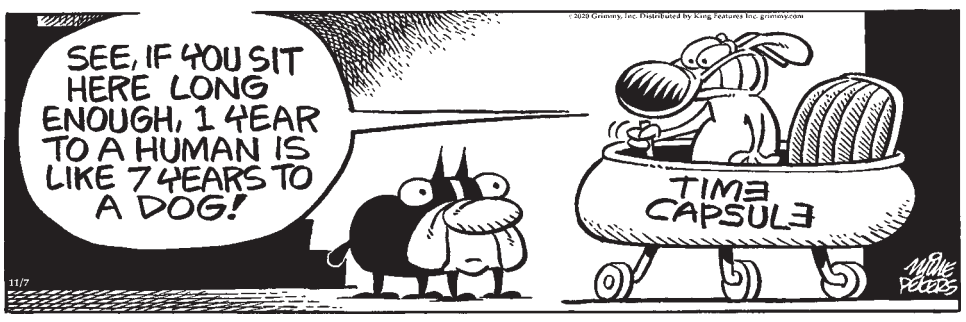
SEE, IF YOU SIT HERE LONG ENOUGH, 1 YEAR TO A HUMAN IS LIKE 7 YEARS TO A DOG!
TIME CAPSULE
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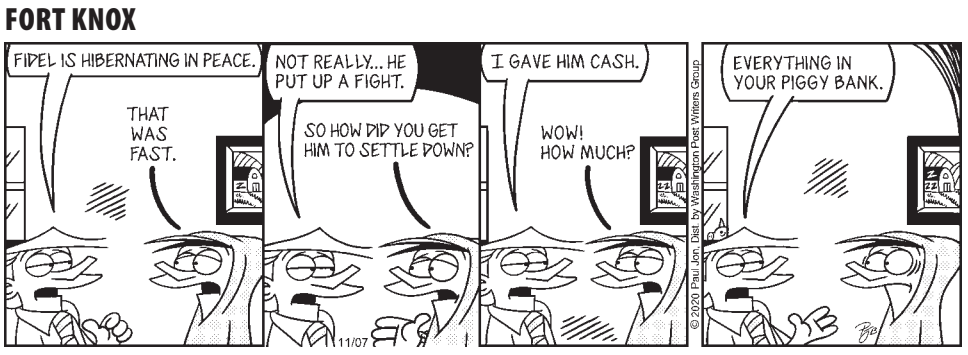
FIDEL IS HIBERNATING IN PEACE.
THAT WAS FAST.
NOT REALLY... HE PUT UP A FIGHT.
SO HOW DID YOU GET HIM TO SETTLE DOWN?
I GAVE HIM CASH.
WOW! HOW MUCH?
EVERYTHING IN YOUR PIGGY BANK.
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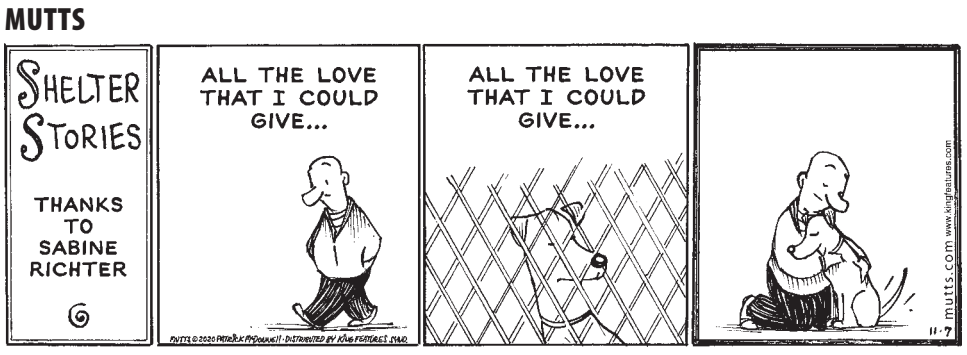

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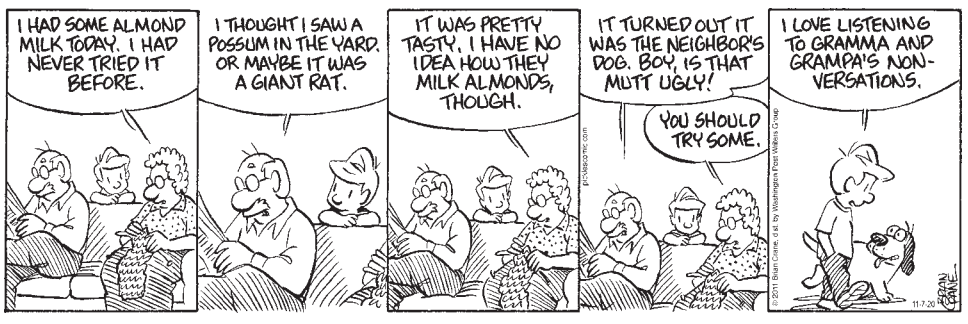
I HAD SOME ALMOND MILK TODAY. I HAD NEVER TRIED IT BEFORE.
I THOUGHT I SAW A POSSUM IN THE YARD. OR MAYBE IT WAS A GIANT RAT.
IT WAS PRETTY TASTY. I HAVE NO IDEA HOW THEY MILK ALMONDS, THOUGH.
IT TURNED OUT IT WAS THE NEIGHBOR'S DOG. BOY, IS THAT MUTT UGLY!
YOU SHOULD TRY SOME.
I LOVE LISTENING TO GRAMMA AND GRAMPA'S NON-VERSATIONS.
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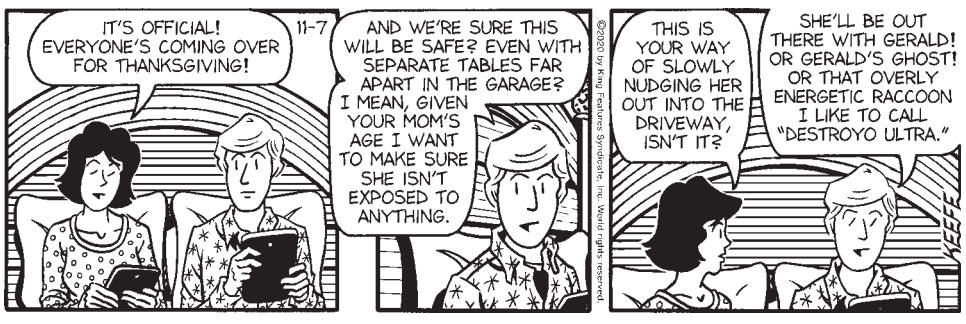
SALLY FORTH


IT'S OFFICIAL! EVERYONE'S COMING OVER FOR THANKSGIVING!
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AND WE'RE SURE THIS WILL BE SAFE? EVEN WITH SEPARATE TABLES FAR APART IN THE GARAGE? I MEAN, GIVEN YOUR MOM'S AGE I WANT TO MAKE SURE SHE ISN'T EXPOSED TO ANYTHING.
THIS IS YOUR WAY OF SLOWLY NUDGING HER OUT INTO THE DRIVEWAY, ISN'T IT?
SHE'LL BE OUT THERE WITH GERALD! OR GERALD'S GHOST! OR THAT OVERLY ENERGETIC RACCOON I LIKE TO CALL "DESTROYO ULTRA."
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Washington, NY
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PRIME TIME TV

SATURDAY EVENING NOV. 7

	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30
ABC 7 13 41 57	**College Football** Stanford at Oregon. From Autzen Stadium in Eugene, Ore. (N) (L)						
CBS 2 3 22	**News**	**Manhunt: Deadly Games** (N) CC		**Manhunt: Deadly Games** (N)		**48 Hours** (N) CC	
NBC 5 8 16	:00 **College Football** Clemson at Notre Dame. From Notre Dame Stadium in South Bend, Ind. (N) (L)						
FOX 17 222 28 32	**College Extra**	**Boxing** PBC: Luis Ortiz vs. Alexander Flores. (N) (L)				**Fox 17 News at 10:00PM** (N) CC	
PBS 34	**Lawrence Welk**	**As Time Goes By**	**As Time Goes By**	**Antiques Roadshow** "Election Collection"		**Frankie Drake Mysteries** CC (DVS)	
CW 25	**Big Bang Theory**	**Mike & Molly**	**Mike & Molly**	**Seinfeld** CC	**Seinfeld** CC	**News**	📽 ★★ **Twilight**
MNT 50	**Graham Bensinger**	**Dateline** "The Farm" CC		**Dateline** "Evil Was Waiting" CC		**Storm of Suspicion**	
WCIU 26	**Family Guy**	**Bob's Burgers**	**Bob's Burgers**	**Family Guy**	**Family Guy**	**Family Guy**	**Bob's Burgers**
WHME 46	:00 **Heartland**	**Heartland** Lou returns from New York.		**Murdoch Mysteries** CC (DVS)		**Murdoch Mysteries** "Game of Kings"	
WGN 9	**Friends** CC	**Friends** CC	**Friends** CC	**Friends** CC	**Friends** CC	**WGN Weekend News at Nine** (N)	
A&E	**Storage Wars**	**Storage Wars**	**Storage Wars**	**Storage Wars**	**Storage Wars**	:01 **Storage Wars**	:32 **Storage Wars**
AMC	4:30 📽 **Gladiator**	📽 ★★ **Taken 2** ('12, Action) Liam Neeson, Maggie Grace. (P). CC				**Eli Roth's History of Horror** (N) CC	
Animal	**Dr. Jeff**	**Dr. Jeff: RMV**		**Dr. Jeff: RMV**		:01 **Mega Zoo** (N)	
BET	**Tyler P**	📽 ★★ **Boo! A Madea Halloween** ('16) Tyler Perry. CC					
Big Ten	**College Football** Rutgers at Ohio State. (N) (L) CC						**B1G Live**
Bravo	6:38 📽 ★★ **Sweet Home Alabama** ('02) Reese Witherspoon.			:13 📽 ★★ **Sweet Home Alabama** ('02) Reese Witherspoon, Josh Lucas. CC			
Cartoon	**Steven Universe: The Movie**			**Burgers**	**American**	**American**	**Primal**
Cinemax	:45 📽 ★ **Bio-Dome** ('96, Comedy) Pauly Shore, Stephen Baldwin. CC				:20 📽 ★★ **Shallow Hal** ('01) Gwyneth Paltrow. CC		
CMT	📽 ★★★ **Beverly Hills Cop** ('84) Eddie Murphy.					**Beverly Hills Cop II**	
CNBC	**Shark**	**Shark Tank** CC		**Shark Tank** CC		**Shark Tank**	
CNN	**Situation**	**Situation Room**		**Situation Room**		**CNN Special**	
Comedy	**Rush Hr**	📽 ★★ **Rush Hour 2** ('01) Jackie Chan.				📽 **Rush Hour 3**	
Discovery	**Doomsday- Ca.**	**Doomsday Caught On Camera** CC		**Doomsday Caught On Camera** CC		**Doomsday Caught On Camera** CC	
Disney	📽 **Alvin and the Chipmunks**			**Big City**	:35 **Big City Greens**		**Big City**
DIY	**Maine**	**Maine Cabin Masters**		**Maine Cabin Masters**		**Maine Cabin Masters**	
E!	📽 ★★★ **Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix** ('07)						**Potter**
ESPN	:00 **College Football** Teams TBA. (N) (L) CC					**Scores**	**Football**
ESPN2	:00 **College Football** UCLA at Colorado. (N) (L)					**UFC Fight Night**	
ESPNC	**Basket**	**College Basketball** CC				**College Basketball**	
Food	**Diners**	**Christmas Cookie**		**Christmas Cookie**		**Christmas Cookie**	
Fox News	**Life**	**Watters' World** (N)		**Justice With Jeanine**		**Greg Gutfeld**	
Fox Sports	**College Football**				**Lions**	**Shogun Fights**	
Freefrm	:20 📽 ★★ **Minions** ('15) Voices of Sandra Bullock, Jon Hamm. (P). CC				:25 📽 ★★ **Despicable Me 3** ('17) Voices of Steve Carell. CC		
FX	5:00 📽 **Furious 7**	📽 ★★ **The Fate of the Furious** ('17) Vin Diesel, Dwayne Johnson. A mysterious woman forces Dom to betray the crew. CC					
Golf	**PGA Tour Golf** Houston Open, Third Round. CC						**PGA**
Hallmark	**On 12th Date**	📽 **Never Kiss a Man in a Christmas Sweater** ('20) Ashley Williams. (P).				📽 **Switched for Christmas** ('17) CC	
HBO	**The Dead Don't Die**	**The Rock & Roll Hall of Fame 2020 Inductions** Inductees include Depeche Mode. (N)				**Rock & Roll Hall of Fame 2020**	
History	**Secrets**	**America's Book of Secrets: Special Edition**				**Book of Secrets**	
HGTV	**Home**	**Should I Stay or Go**		**Should I Stay or Go**		:01 **Love It or List It**	
Learning	**Extreme**	**Extreme**	**Extreme**	**Extreme**	**Extreme**	**Extreme**	**Extreme**
Lifetime	**Christmas Yule**	📽 **A Welcome Home Christmas** ('20, Drama) Jana Kramer. (P). CC				:03 📽 **A Christmas Wish** ('19) CC	
MSNBC	**Voices**	**Week-Johnson**		**Week-Johnson**		**American Voices**	
MTV	**Ridic.**	**Ridic.**	**Ridic.**	**Ridic.**	**Ridic.**	**Ridic.**	**Ridic.**
NBCSCH	**Charlie**	**World Class Championship Boxing**				**Fight Sports MMA**	
NFL	6:00 **NFL Football** CC			**NFL Football** CC			
Nick	**Loud**	**Unfiltered**	**Group**	**Sponge.**	**Sponge.**	**Friends**	**Friends**
NGEO	**Life Be**	**Life Below Zero** "Into the Night" CC					
Oxygen	:00 **Killer Siblings**	**Dateline: Secrets Uncovered** "Deadly Twist" A man is arrested for killing his wife.				**Dateline: Secrets Uncovered** CC	
Parmt	📽 ★★★ **Tombstone** ('93) Kurt Russell, Val Kilmer. CC						**Top Gun**
Showtime	:15 📽 ★★ **21 Bridges** ('19, Action) Chadwick Boseman. CC				📽 ★★★ **Clear and Present Danger** ('94) Harrison Ford, Willem Dafoe. CC		
Starz	**Maid-Manhatt.**	:03 **In The Long Run**	**The Cult of the Family** CC		:32 **The Spanish Princess** CC		**Seduced: NXIVM**
STZENC	:08 📽 ★★ **Perfect Stranger** ('07, Suspense) Halle Berry. CC			📽 ★★★ **The Firm** ('93, Drama) Tom Cruise, Jeanne Tripplehorn. CC			
SyFy	:00 📽 ★★ **Escape Plan** ('13) Sylvester Stallone, Arnold Schwarzenegger. CC				📽 ★★★ **John Wick: Chapter 2** ('17, Action) Keanu Reeves. CC		
TBS	6:30 📽 ★★ **Horrible Bosses 2** ('14, Comedy) Jason Bateman.			**Big Bang Theory**	**Big Bang Theory**	**Big Bang Theory**	**Big Bang Theory**
TCM	**My Favorite Year**	📽 ★★★ **A Hard Day's Night** ('64) The Beatles. CC			:45 📽 ★★ **It's Trad, Dad!** ('62) Helen Shapiro, Felix Felton.		
TMC	📽 ★★★ **Paranormal Activity** ('07) Katie Featherston. CC			📽 ★ **Urban Legends: Final Cut** ('00) Jennifer Morrison. CC			**Urban Legends**
TNT	6:00 📽 ★★★ **Transformers**			📽 ★★★ **Ready Player One** ('18)			
Travel	**Ghost**	**Ghost Nation** CC		**Ghost Nation** (N)		**Destination Fear** (N)	
TV Land	**Two Men**	**Two Men**	**Two and a Half Men**		**Two Men**	**Two Men**	**Two Men**
USA	📽 ★★★ **Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 2** ('17) Chris Pratt. The team unravels the mystery of Peter Quill's parentage. CC (DVS)						**Guardians 2**
VH1	**Browns**	📽 ★★ **Tyler Perry's Why Did I Get Married?** ('07) Tyler Perry.					
WGN-A	:00 **Blue Bloods**	**NewsNation** (N) (L) CC		**NewsNation** (N) (L) CC		**NewsNation** (N) (L) CC	

Relationship on the rocks with man who won't listen

Jeanne Phillips
Dear Abby

DEAR ABBY: My man of three years and I are at a crossroads. He has gone from my boyfriend, to fiance, back to boyfriend, to friend, to "I don't know what he is now." He showers me with gifts and material things, which really don't mean a lot to me. I thank him often for the things he does, and I reciprocate them.

What matters more to me are simple gestures like checking to make sure I get home safely, accepting and acknowledging my friends, acknowledging me on Mother's Day, asking how my day was, taking me out from time to time instead of always saying he doesn't want to go.

I have explained to him time and time again how I want to be treated, but it goes in one ear and out the other. I have given him chance after chance to get it right, to no avail. I am tired of this. It's like we're speaking different languages. Is it time for me to move on? – Impatient In Alabama

DEAR IMPATIENT: Yes, it is. If, after three years, your man still hasn't gotten the message that material things are unimportant to you, and being treated with consideration is paramount, then it isn't GOING to happen. He isn't the man for you.

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 34-year-old female who still lives with her dad. When I start a job search, he says things like, "You've got your bachelor's degree; you'll be fine!" or, "You're a hard worker; you've got this job in the bag!" Then my hopes are raised, only to be dashed when the rejection letters arrive, which makes me feel angry and useless.

It also doesn't help my confidence when Dad says things like, "You'll never be able to afford an apartment," or, "Best you just stay here in town and get a job." I would like to leave this town someday and actually live on my own. How do I rise above my dad's expectations of me? – Feeling Stuck In Pennsylvania

DEAR FEELING STUCK: It will happen as soon as you stop allowing your father's expectations – whether positive or negative – to affect you. Because of the economy, many people, through no fault of their own, live in multigenerational households. The impact on them has been emotional as well as financial. If you can't find a job in your ideal profession, take something that's available. Your future will work itself out as the economy improves, and while you may not have your dream job right now, the one you desire can still happen, so don't give up.

DEAR ABBY: My mother has been visiting family members' graves each year for many years. In the past she placed cut flowers on the graves, but recently she has begun leaving live potted flowers. What I learned recently is, the day after a major holiday she and her friend return to the cemetery, remove them and take them home. When I asked her why, her response was, "If I don't take them, someone else will." Am I wrong to think this is odd, or is this now a common practice I am not aware of? – Unusual In The West

DEAR UNUSUAL: I checked with two cemeteries here in Los Angeles where I reside and asked if what your mother has been doing is common practice. Both said they had never heard of such a thing. Cut flowers are removed weekly from the graves after they wilt; potted plants are allowed to remain for the family to maintain when they visit.

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Bride's mother has a weight issue

Carolyn Hax

Adapted from an online discussion.

DEAR CAROLYN: Three months ago, I got engaged. My fiance is wonderful, we're both thrilled and excited, and our families are, too.

My mom is very excited to talk about wedding stuff, but she has a tendency to be kind of pushy and stubborn when she gets something in her head.

She has now decided I should want to lose weight for my wedding. The other day, she made a comment about how I should start dieting now to "look good for my wedding."

I thought it was kind of an offhand comment, but when I expressed to her that it was a stupid thing to say, she doubled down, saying I need to be a size 10, or even better a size 8 – which I've never been in my life – for my wedding.

I'm currently a size 14. She says if I don't lose weight, I won't find a wonderful wedding dress.

My body image has been a big problem for me for most of my life. I developed issues as a chubby kid, and struggled with an eating disorder in my teens, until I sought professional help in college.

I have been in recovery since then, but I still have a not-great relationship with food. And I did gain some weight this year, and am working on losing it through healthy eating and exercise, but the idea of a "diet" is toxic for me.

Both my parents and my fiance are well aware of this, or they should be. My mom feels that since I've been in recovery for 11 years and I never binge or purge anymore, it's OK to push on this.

I have asked her literally six times to drop the idea of me being a specific size for my wedding, but she will not. What's my next step? – Not Dieting

DEAR NOT DIETING: "If you mention my weight again, then you will not hear one more word about my wedding."

Then stick to it and plan your wedding without her if she forces you to.

Your history promotes your mom's behavior from obnoxious to monstrous. Don't so much as respond when she mentions your weight. Ever. Hang up or leave the room. Some ultimatums are necessary and justified.

Congrats on your engagement, and I'm sorry your mother never got the help you did. She so obviously needs it.

Some reader support:

■ I've been "plus size" all my adult life and found a gorgeous dress that was exactly right for me. I know that's not the heart of the issue, I'm just saying it in case it helps keep away one worry. Oh, and *do not* take your mom dress shopping. Take friends/other family. Hell, take me!

■ I have a mom like yours. Your mom needs a reality check. Pronto. You're going to be a beautiful bride just the way you are, and if your mom can't see it, then she doesn't get to help with the planning. Period.

■ Holy cow, if my mother said that to me, she might not even be invited to the wedding. Wedding planning is stressful enough. And my size 22 derriere has found some lovely wedding dresses, so your amazing size 14 self can definitely do the same, and shame on your mother for saying otherwise.

Email Carolyn Hax at tellme@washpost.com, follow her on Facebook at www.facebook.com/carolyn.hax or chat with her online at noon each Friday at www.washingtonpost.com.

CROSSWORD

ACROSS
1 Grow weary
4 Biting fly
8 Stare stupidly
12 Copper source
13 Room price
14 Big continent
15 Shrieked loudly
17 Risque
18 Throw with great effort
19 Twinkle
20 Crayola choice
21 Put down, slangily
22 Rowboat
25 One or the other
28 Not just mine
29 New Haven university
31 Skip stones
33 Take a mate
34 Boot upper
36 Common contraction
37 Ireland's capital
40 Late bloomer
42 Youngster
43 Map abbr.
44 Running mate
46 Element's units
49 McEntire of music
50 Sure thing
53 Borodin prince
54 Recovered from
55 Compete for
56 Zillions
57 Gull cousin
58 Fitness center

DOWN
1 Call for help
2 Cats do it
3 "Runaway Bride" groom
4 Solemnly
5 Dubbed
6 Had for dinner
7 Amateur pro — Mack
8 Loud and flashy
9 Strong — — ox
10 Oil-lamp cord
11 Scrabble 5-pointer
16 Countess's husband
19 Clever person
21 "Carpe —"
22 Farm female
23 Signaled
24 Language of Pakistan
25 Pizazz
26 Revise text
27 Speak wildly
30 Like some fans
32 Part of mpg
35 Design
38 Very tired
39 Cozy seat
41 Deceive with charm
43 Manufacturer
44 First-magnitude star
45 Poet's black
47 Dallas hoopsters
48 Minor mistake
49 Basketball hoop
50 Fold-up bed
51 Gladiator's hello
52 Big green parrot

Answer to Previous Puzzle

A	P	E		T	U	B			J	A	M	B
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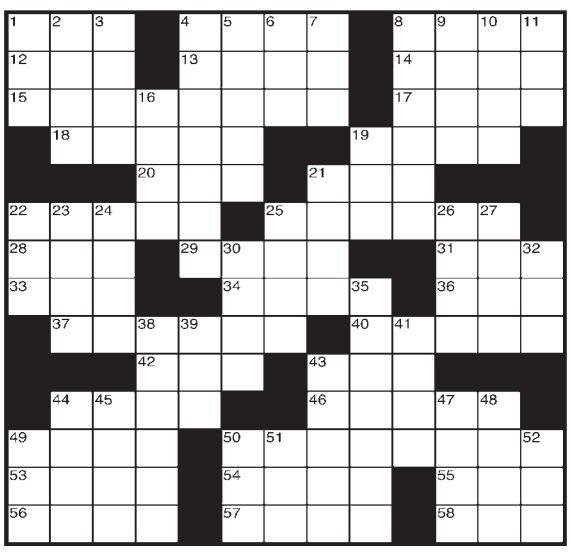

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JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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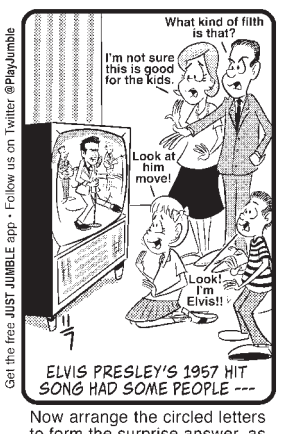
KALYE

DESEYP

NUGLEO


What kind of filth is that?
I'm not sure this is good for the kids.
Look at him move!
Look! I'm Elvis!!
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ELVIS PRESLEY'S 1957 HIT SONG HAD SOME PEOPLE ---

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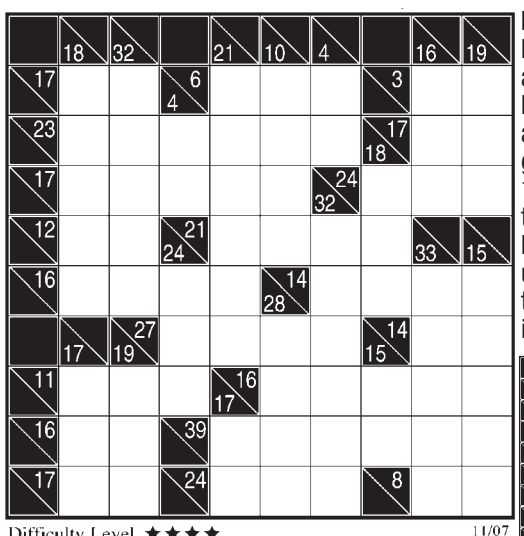
Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Ans. here: ( ) ( ) ( ) ( ) ( ) ( ) ( )

(Answers Monday)

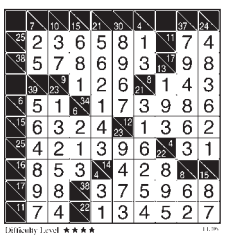
Yesterday's Jumbles: COUCH SINGE AVIARY OUTLAW
Answer: After she learned to consistently tie her own shoes, — IT WAS A CINCH

KAKURO



Difficulty Level ★★★★ 11/07

How to play: Numbers above the slash are across clues; numbers below the slash are down clues. The goal is to enter digits 1-9 in the white cells to add up to the number clues. You cannot use any digit more than once when adding up to a clue.



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BRIDGE

Over the last seven or eight months, thousands of people have played online, many in duplicates at Bridge Base Online. It has been a low-pressure way for newcomers to meet duplicate.

Say you are North-South. Your score on each board is compared with the scores of all the other North-Souths. For each pair you beat, whether by 10 points or 1,000, you receive one matchpoint. For every tie, you get half a matchpoint.

As you can tell, overtricks are important. In today's deal, most Souths played in two hearts. What should have happened after West led the heart jack?

South's two-heart intervention conventionally showed both majors.

West, with an unenviable lead, decided that a trump was less likely to cost a trick than anything else. Declarer drew trumps ending in hand and played a low spade. After West won with his king, what did he do next?

Just exiting with a spade did not feel right, though it would have been safe here. Instead, West hoped his partner had a minor-suit king, and he wondered which one.

Well, East told him at trick one by playing his heart 10, the higher heart showing a useful holding in the higher-ranking of the two minors. So, West led his diamond five. After taking the trick, what did East do next?

He realized that it was time to shift to clubs, and, hoping for three tricks there, he correctly led the jack.

Minus 110 was a near-top for East-West.

Employ useless trumps to send suit-preference signals – if your partner is watching!

North 11-07-20
♠ Q 10
♥ K 6 5 4
♦ Q 8 6 3
♣ 9 5 3

West
♠ K J 9 5
♥ J 2
♦ A 10 5
♣ A Q 10 6

East
♠ 8 7 3
♥ 10 3
♦ K J 9 7 2
♣ J 7 4

South
♠ A 6 4 2
♥ A Q 9 8 7
♦ 4
♣ K 8 2

Dealer: West
Vulnerable: East-West

South	West	North	East
	1NT	Pass	Pass
2♥	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♥ J

SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: ☆☆☆☆☆

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				8	3	4		
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	3							
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How to play: Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION

3	5	7	6	8	9	2	4	1
6	4	1	7	2	3	8	5	9
8	2	9	4	1	5	7	6	3
1	6	8	5	4	7	3	9	2
9	3	4	1	6	2	5	8	7
5	7	2	3	9	8	6	1	4
2	9	6	8	7	1	4	3	5
7	8	3	9	5	4	1	2	6
4	1	5	2	3	6	9	7	8

Goodbye again, House of the Week

More coverage

Read this column online at www.TheHP.com/features to see clippings of house plans that have been featured in print over the years.

Andy Steinke

In the late 2000s, I was living in Wisconsin, working my first job out of college for a newspaper in Wisconsin Dells.

The paper is owned by the same company that publishes the Wisconsin State Journal in Madison. So every weekend, I'd get my discounted copies and see what was going on in the capital.

One of my favorite features from the WSJ, though, was the House of the Week, which featured a picture of a home, blueprints and a little information about it. Every week, it was something new: a new style, a new layout, a new talking point.

At the time, my wife and I were renting an apartment, but we dreamed of owning a home. So we'd look at the house plans and talk about what we liked and didn't like.

I'd cut out some of the houses we liked – in whole or in part – and I'd store them in my desk. Our conversations helped prepare us for homebuying years later after we moved back to Michigan.

Off and on through the years, The Herald-Palladium has run a similar House of the Week feature. But in 2011, The Associated Press stopped carrying it, and it disappeared from our Home & Garden page.

When I joined the newsroom as the features editor in 2015, one of the first things I did was find out what happened to the House of the Week. I remembered we used to have it, and I wanted it back.

I contacted AP, and they were able to point me to a couple of member papers that were still running it. I wasn't sure how they were getting it, but I wanted to find out.

I emailed Jeanne DePaul at The Lewiston Tribune in Idaho to ask where she was getting the feature. She told me Hanley Wood, a residential and commercial construction company, was still offering the House of the Week every month through its website, ePlans.com.

I reached out to her contact and got on their House of the Week email list. We started running the houses again in January 2016.

I still get excited every month when I get the link to the next month's houses. I take a few minutes to look them over carefully. I mentally critique the layouts. And then I get the houses ready for you to do the same.

Last week, my joy was dampened when I received the email with November's houses.

"Going forward we will not be providing this feature anymore," the rep said.

Just like that, it was taken away.

So, I regret to inform you that the weekend of Nov. 28, we will run our final House of the Week. If I can find a way to bring it back (I'm already looking), I certainly will, but until then, we'll have to say goodbye.

Can the space be filled with other content? Sure. There's no shortage of home- and garden-related stories.

But those stories can't replace the one thing the House of the Week offers to young, first-time homebuyers like I was all those years ago: hope.

The hope that someday they, too, could have a big back yard, or three bathrooms, or a wrap-around porch.

It just feels like one more thing 2020 has taken away from us.

Andy Steinke is features editor at The Herald-Palladium.

HOUSE OF THE WEEK

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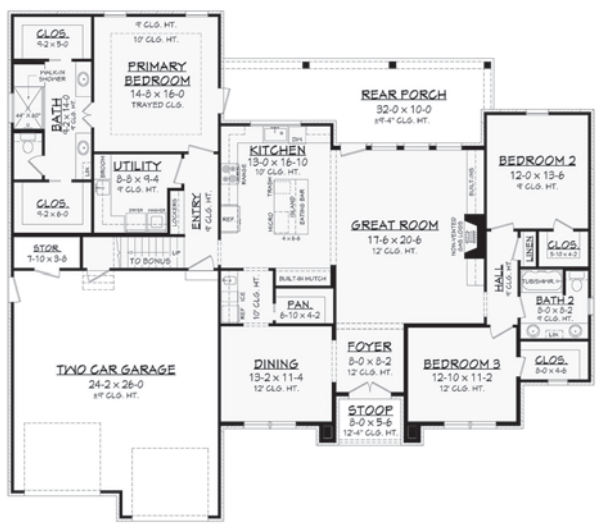

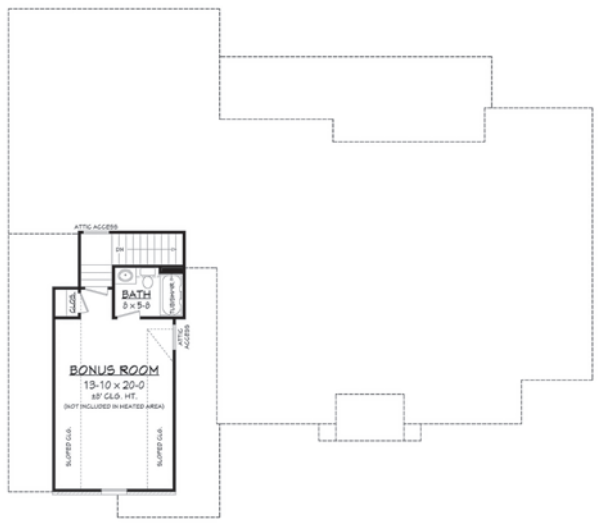

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The South Haven Area Recreation Authority is seeking offers to purchase a wood-frame construction house (2,300 sf, built in 1999) and pole barn (1,300 sf) currently located at 77545 18th Avenue. The purchaser would need to relocate either structure to a new location off site in 90 days. If interested in the house or pole barn, contact Ross Stein at 269-637-3305.

Anyone knowing the whereabouts of KIM YOUNGER AGROFF, please contact Archie P. Joseph, Attorney at Law, at (337) 332-5287 or P.O. Box 1283, Breaux Bridge, LA 70517.

CITY OF SOUTH HAVEN
ALLEGAN AND VAN BUREN COUNTY, MICHIGAN

ORDINANCE NO. 1064

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ARTICLE XVII SECTION 1725 OF THE SOUTH HAVEN ZONING ORDINANCE TO CONFORM WITH STATE BUILDING SAFETY CODE REGULATIONS, PER THE INTERNATIONAL SWIMMING POOL AND SPA CODE OF 2012 SECTION 305, WHICH IS THE ACCEPTED SWIMMING POOL AND SPA STANDARD OBSERVED BY THE

LEGALS

STATE OF MICHIGAN BUILDING CODE VERSION 2015. THIS ORDINANCE WILL RECOGNIZE THE ADDITION OF POWERED SAFETY COVERS AS MEETING ALL LEGAL BARRIER REQUIREMENTS.

(The full language of this amendment is on file and available by request at the City Clerk's office, 539 Phoenix Street, South Haven, MI 49090).

St. Joseph Charter Township
Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting
November 2, 2020

SYNOPSIS

-Approved Consent Agenda
-Approved Appointment of Tim Drews to Planning Commission
-Approved December Board of Review Hours
-Approved Purchase Tahoe Public Safety
-Approved MERS Adoption Agreement Addendums
-Approved Budget Adjustments

REGULAR MEETINGS: 1st Monday of every month
at 6:00 pm at the Township hall, located at 3000 Washington Avenue.

WORKSHOP SESSIONS: 1st Monday of every month at 12:00 noon at the Township hall.

Patrice Rose, Clerk

ANNOUNCEMENTS

EMPLOYMENT

White Space Sells

EDUCATION/ TEACHING

Special Education Paraprofessional JV Baseball Coach

River Valley School District
Employment info at:
www.river valleyschools.org
Deadline: Until filled

MEDICAL/DENTAL

St. Joseph, MI
Are you a Certified Nursing Assistant who enjoys caring for others? Do you love hearing stories from the "Good Old Days"? If so Royalton Manor is the place for you! We have a new wage scale and offer other great benefits. Come check us out!
We are accepting applications for FT and PT Certified Nursing Assistants on all shifts. If interested send resume to: royalton_payoll@cienafacilities.com or apply online at cienahealthcare.com (eeoc)

St. Joseph, MI
Are you a nurse who enjoys caring for others? Do you have a talent for putting people at ease? If so Royalton Manor is the place for you! We have a new wage scale, offer other great benefits and are currently offering a sign on bonus to be paid out quarterly for 1 year for all nurses - RN/LPN - Full time - $5000 bonus, RN/LPN - Part time - $2500 bonus. Come check us out! We are accepting applications for FT

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MEDICAL/DENTAL

and PT RNs and LPNs on all shifts. If interested send resume to: royalton_payoll@cienafacilities.com or apply online at cienahealthcare.com (eeoc)

GENERAL HELP

The City of St. Joseph is accepting applications/ resumes for the position of Water & Sewer Serviceperson. Knowledge of water and sewer systems is desirable. Applicants are required to have a valid MI driver's license with CDL Class A and N endorsements and pass a pre-placement physical, including drug screen. Please submit your application/resume to the City of St. Joseph Personnel Department, 700 Broad Street, St. Joseph, MI 49085, or email to lmoore@sjcity.com by Friday, November 13, 2020. Application and full job description also available online at www.sjcity.com.

Stevensville, MI
Delivery Crew Assistant
$13-20 / hour
Drivers License Required
Assist on Deliveries
Perform Cleanings
General Help
Sensationalhottubs @att.net

Benton Harbor, MI
SECURITY OFFICERS:
Part time, days, no weekends.
Retirees welcome.
Please call (574) 232-9653
M-F 11am-4pm.
EOE

CITY OF BENTON HARBOR
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS –
1. TREE/BUSH TRIMMING AND GRINDING BUILDING SERVICES
2. ALLEY DEBRIS CLEAN UP

The City of Benton Harbor invites interested parties to submit written proposals to provide contract, as-needed Building Official, Inspection and Plan Check services for the City of Benton Harbor.

Please submit proposals to:
Kimberly Thompson, City Clerk
City of Benton Harbor
200 East Wall Street
Benton Harbor, Michigan 49022

Please include in the envelope five (5) bound hard copies of the proposal, one un-bound hard copy and one electronic copy (on a USB flash drive).

Proposals must be placed in the drop box in front of City Hall, located at 200 E. Wall Street or mailed by the deadline. Any proposals received after the time and date specified, shall be declared unresponsive, and will be returned to the sender without review or further comment from the City. Proposals may not be submitted via email or fax. Bidder is hereby advised that depositing proposals with postal, package, or common carriers does not constitute delivery of the same to City. The City of Benton Harbor assumes no responsibility for late arrival.

Formal proposals must be received by Thursday, November 12, 2020 at 10:00 AM. At such time, bids will be publically opened and read aloud. Due to Public Act 228 of 2020, the bid opening will be conducted virtually. Instructions on how to participate will be posted on the City of Benton Harbor's website, www.bhcity.us.

All inquiries regarding this Request for Proposal and/or current Building Services of the City should be directed to Ellis Mitchell, City Manager in writing or via email at: emitchell@bhcity.us or by telephone at (269) 927-8457.

The City reserves the right to reject all proposals, to request additional information concerning any proposals for purposes of clarification, to accept or negotiate any modification to any proposal following the deadline for receipt of all proposals, and to waive any irregularities if such would serve the best interest of the City as determined by the City Manager.

It should be noted that the City may select one or more firms to provide the services described in the Scope of Services; however, award of contract does not guarantee work.

Kimberly Thompson, City Clerk
City of Benton Harbor
11/5/2020

RESERVE THIS SPACE TODAY!

GENERAL HELP

The City of South Haven is seeking a full-time Assistant City Manager to assist in directing the preparation of plans, policies and programs to guide the growth and conservation of the City. Working with department directors, manages physical planning and land development, economic development, City building codes and land use regulations, housing conservation and rehabilitation, and community development activities. Communicates before various audiences on complex and sensitive issues. Serves as the City's Harbormaster. Assists City Manager with functions of general government administration and special projects.

Bachelor's degree in public administration, urban planning, business administration or related field is required. Master's degree in public administration or planning is preferred.

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GENERAL HELP

To view full job posting and apply, go to southhavenmi.gov/human_resources. Deadline for application is 11/20/20. EOE

FINANCIAL

GARAGE /ESTATE SALES

GARAGE/ESTATE SALES

Estate Liquidation
Nov 5th & 6th, 9 to 4
Nov 7th, 10 to 3
1248 Seneca Rd.
Benton Harbor MI
WW1 pilot items sold in a lot will not break up! House full of MCM furniture, Costume Jewelry, Households, Whirlpool Washer & Dryer, Stand up Freezer, Clothes, Bedding, Art work, Records, Cds and so much more ... Pictures on FB Timeless Treasures Estate Sale Specialist.

Benton Harbor, MI
869 High Point Dr,
Saturday November 7 12pm-4pm
Garage Sale/Moving Sale/Estate Sale!
End tables, counter stools, pictures, dishes, yard tools, etc.
Everything must go!
Masks are required.

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GARAGE/ESTATE SALES

Michigan City, IN
Garage Sale
Arndt's Apple Acres
Thurs, Fri & Sat
8:00am - 3:00pm
7455 Peach Tree Ln.
Michigan City
Snow blower, furniture and much more

La Porte, IN
Moving Sale
Everything Must Go!
Additional items added,
Friday, 11/6 and Saturday, 11/7
8:00am - 4:00pm
6082 W 450 N
La Porte, IN 46350
Living room, dining room, and bedroom furniture, kitchen items, Christmas and home decor, purses, women and young men's clothes and shoes, garden & yard tools, & much more.

St. Joseph, MI
Moving Sale
Nov. 7th & 8th
8:00am - 5:00pm
1366 Maiden Ln.
Lots of furniture! Dining room set, bedroom set, desk, pool table, china cabinet, large oak table. Priced to sell! All items must go! For more info call 269-287-0567

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BUILDING MATERIALS

LaPorte, IN
High heat bills
For Sale
Bubble Wrap Foil Insulation
100 ft Rolls
4' 5' 6' wide
Insulate your homes, pole barns, dog houses, etc.
Half price, will keep 97% of heat in home.
cheap!!
219-324-0444

WANTED TO RENT/ BUY/TRADE

Benton Harbor, MI
3 Pillars Music is looking to buy record albums from 1970s to present, older guitars and comic books.
Please contact Tom at 269-313-7001 or 3pillarsmusic@gmail.com

MISC. ITEMS FOR SALE

La Porte, IN
4 snow tires
New 185/60R15
Ford rims.
$500.00 OBO
(219)363-9006

PETS

PET SERVICES

LaPORTE

German Shepherds

- 6 weeks old
- 4 females, 3 males
- $300

Call (219) 874-2190
Leave a message

FARM

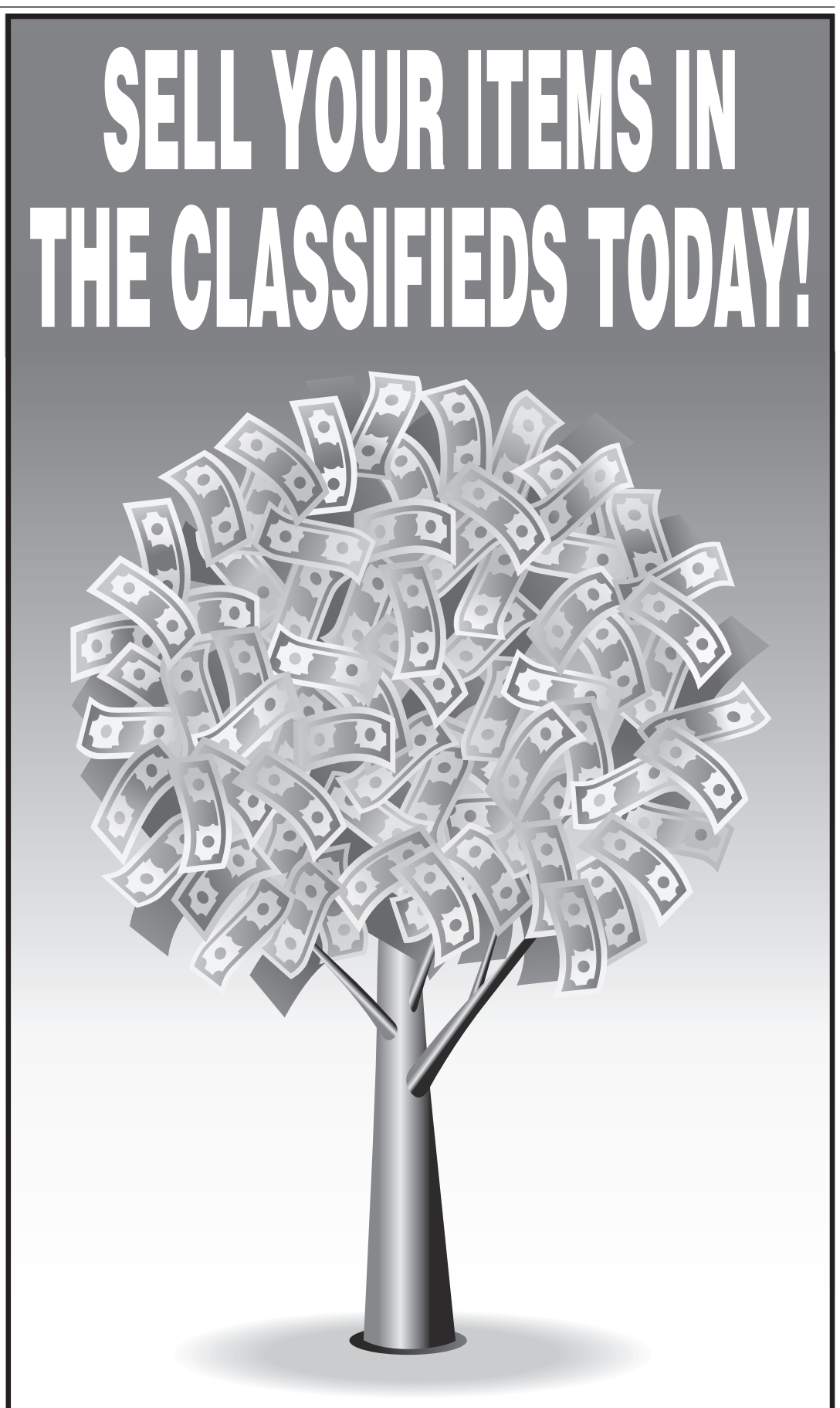
TRANSPORTATION

CARS FOR SALE

St. Joseph, MI
2012 VW Eos
Hard top convertible
Silver with beige leather interior,
one owner,
non-smoker.
Great condition
180,000 miles
$5,000
(616)510-0235

FIND A BARGAIN

IN THE CLASSIFIEDS TODAY!



HOROSCOPE

By EUGENIA LAST

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7

Take advantage of whatever comes your way. Keep moving forward at warp speed until you feel confident that you can start something new and exciting without feeling stressed about what you've left undone. Settle arguments and free yourself from mistakes or grievances.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Follow your heart, spend time with a loved one and find a way to improve your life. Taking care of your responsibilities will help ward off complaints. Romance is on the rise.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Make a change for the right reasons. Refuse to let your emotions dictate what you do or how you treat a loved one. Make peace, love and happiness priorities.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Take time to figure out what you want to do, how to budget and ways to keep your family close and safe. Romance is in the stars. Protect what's yours.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Stop worrying about what others do. Take facts into consideration and refuse to let your emotions dictate what you do or say. Focus on progress, not on discord.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Take care of your responsibilities and financial well-being. Make decisions for the right reasons, not because someone is pressuring you to pick sides. Stick to the facts and choose wisely.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Look for interesting new ways to take care of financial, health or contractual matters. Look for solutions that benefit everyone. Beware of people trying to sell you something.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Pay attention to the people you love. Speak from the heart to gain respect and get the go-ahead to initiate positive change. Nurture important relationships.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Check your motives before you leap into action. Consider what it is you are trying to prove or obtain. When uncertainty sets in, sit tight and wait. Look inward and work on personal growth.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Focus on what you can accomplish. Use your intelligence, skills and contacts to forge ahead. Make peace, love and happiness priorities. Romance and self-improvement are favored.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Take better care of yourself. Think before you act, or you may end up in a dispute with a loved one. Moderation will be necessary if you want to avoid criticism. Work on self-control.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Do what makes you happy. If someone doesn't like the changes you make, you might want to rethink the relationship. Fitness and self-improvement are favored. Share your plans.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Take part in a movement to bring about positive change. Stand up for your rights, but don't cross a line that puts you or your reputation in jeopardy. An unexpected encounter will change things.

HOROSCOPE

By EUGENIA LAST

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8

Think before you act. Don't make assumptions or jump to conclusions. Take your time and study the facts, and focus on truth, justice and fair play. Show compassion and understanding, and you will be offered respect and admiration in return.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Don't let yourself be taken advantage of by someone who is emotionally manipulative. Call the shots instead of letting others put you in a compromising position. Personal growth is favored.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Nurture your way to tiptop shape. Work on home improvements to ease stress and accommodate your needs. Romance is featured. Focus on personal gain and contentment.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) A change will lift your spirits. Steer clear of friends and relatives who are argumentative or who don't share your lifestyle or beliefs. Concentrate on what makes you happy.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Go over the ups and downs of a pending situation. Being prepared will help you engage in talks that are useful, factual and productive. Romance looks promising.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) What you do for others will make you feel good about yourself. Work hard to make a difference. A financial boost is apparent. Your skills can be put to good use.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Don't labor over something you cannot change or worry about people who don't share your beliefs or values. Self-improvement projects are favored. Romance is on the rise.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Not everyone will agree with you today. An emotional situation will arise if you or someone close to you feels insecure or jealous. Keep the peace.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Improve your surroundings. Make the most of whatever situation you face, and work hard to better your prospects. Comfort and enjoyment should be priorities.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Pay closer attention to details. Update documents that are in need of it, review contracts and your financial situation, and confirm upcoming appointments. Leave nothing to chance.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Get ready to conquer whatever comes your way. Refuse to let others tempt you to act frivolously behave excessively. Make romance and love priorities, and self-improvement your stress reliever.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Don't hide your feelings. Honesty will help solve problems; being evasive will not. Offer solutions and compromises, and be willing to work toward a better future. Moderation is mandatory.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Don't stick around if you aren't appreciated. Size up your situation and make your grievances known. Help a likeminded person or a cause you believe in. Romance is encouraged.

CROSSWORD

Crossword Answers D4

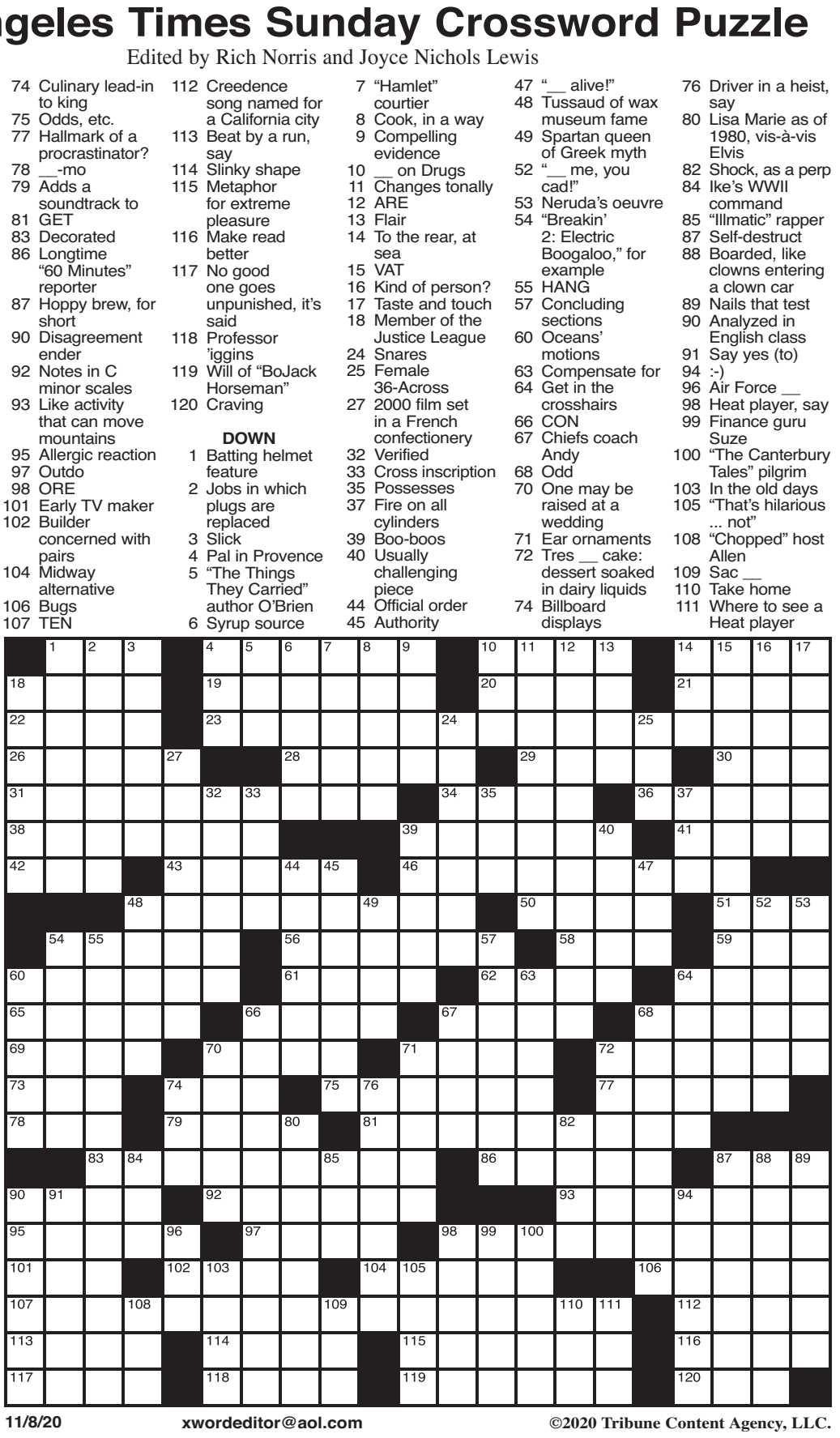
Los Angeles Times Sunday Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

"DID YOU GET THE PART?" By DANIEL A. FINAN and BRIAN HERRICK

ACROSS
1 Ones found on saucers, briefly?
4 Max
10 Undercover agent's device
14 Many downloads
18 Oz creator
19 Corrupting atmosphere
20 Organized to a fault
21 Having no meetings, say
22 Florentine flower?
23 PROP
26 2000s Cal.-based teen drama
28 Equate
29 Longtime late-night host
30 Iran has multiple ones: Abbr.
31 OUT
34 You, once
36 Big, strong swimmer
38 Ricola ad instrument
39 Database systems giant
41 Pac-12 squad
42 Nintendo's Super __
43 Winter fuel units
46 Dawdle
48 VIE
50 Lewd material
51 "How you doin'?"
54 Basic digital exercise
56 Chile relleno stuffing
58 Many readers of "Dreyer's English," for short
59 Brian of electronica
60 Home of the Milad Tower
61 Cone counterparts
62 Corn bread
64 Icy Hot target
65 Short notice?
66 Ward in Hollywood
67 Big break
68 Gyro holders
69 Desert formation
70 Lab coat discovery?
71 Subject of many Instagram posts
72 Snicket of kids' books
73 Shocked cry
74 Culinary lead-in to king
75 Odds, etc.
77 Hallmark of a procrastinator?
78 __-mo
79 Adds a soundtrack to
81 GET
83 Decorated
86 Longtime "60 Minutes" reporter
87 Hoppy brew, for short
90 Disagreement ender
92 Notes in C minor scales
93 Like activity that can move mountains
95 Allergic reaction
97 Outdo
98 ORE
101 Early TV maker
102 Builder concerned with pairs
104 Midway alternative
106 Bugs
107 TEN
112 Creedence song named for a California city
113 Beat by a run, say
114 Slinky shape
115 Metaphor for extreme pleasure
116 Make read better
117 No good one goes unpunished, it's said
118 Professor 'iggins
119 Will of "BoJack Horseman"
120 Craving

DOWN
1 Batting helmet feature
2 Jobs in which plugs are replaced
3 Slick
4 Pal in Provence
5 "The Things They Carried" author O'Brien
6 Syrup source
7 "Hamlet" courtier
8 Cook, in a way
9 Compelling evidence
10 __ on Drugs
11 Changes tonally
12 ARE
13 Flair
14 To the rear, at sea
15 VAT
16 Kind of person?
17 Taste and touch
18 Member of the Justice League
24 Snares
25 Female 36-Across
27 2000 film set in a French confectionery
32 Verified
33 Cross inscription
35 Possesses
37 Fire on all cylinders
39 Boo-boos
40 Usually challenging piece
44 Official order
45 Authority
47 "__ alive!"
48 Tussaud of wax museum fame
49 Spartan queen of Greek myth
52 "__ me, you cad!"
53 Neruda's oeuvre
54 "Breakin' 2: Electric Boogaloo," for example
55 HANG
57 Concluding sections
60 Oceans' motions
63 Compensate for
64 Get in the crosshairs
66 CON
67 Chiefs coach Andy
68 Odd
70 One may be raised at a wedding
71 Ear ornaments
72 Tres __ cake: dessert soaked in dairy liquids
74 Billboard displays
76 Driver in a heist, say
80 Lisa Marie as of 1980, vis-à-vis Elvis
82 Shock, as a perp
84 Ike's WWII command
85 "Illmatic" rapper
87 Self-destruct
88 Boarded, like clowns entering a clown car
89 Nails that test
90 Analyzed in English class
91 Say yes (to)
94 :-)
96 Air Force __
98 Heat player, say
99 Finance guru Suze
100 "The Canterbury Tales" pilgrim
103 In the old days
105 "That's hilarious ... not"
108 "Chopped" host Allen
109 Sac __
110 Take home
111 Where to see a Heat player



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Answer To Today's Puzzle

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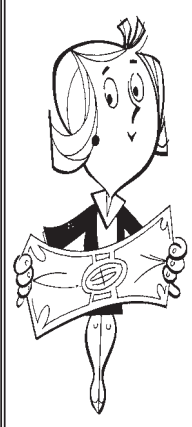

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BUILT Ford PROUD

2020 FORD TRANSIT XLT 10 PASSENGER ALL WHEEL DRIVE VAN

KAPOOR RED, 10 PASSENGER SEATING, TRAILER TOW PACKAGE, NAVIGATION, FORGED ALUMINUM WHEELS, TRAILER BRAKE CONTROLLER, REMOTE START, RUNNING BOARDS, PRIVACY GLASS AND MUCH MORE! F20061

MSRP	$52,550
SIEMANS DISCOUNT	- 2,555
FORD RETAIL CUSTOMER CASH	- 1,500
FORD SELECT INVENTORY RETAIL CUSTOMER CASH	- 750
FORD SPECIAL PACKAGE RETAIL CUSTOMER CASH	- 500
FORD COMPETITIVE CONQUEST BONUS CASH*	- 1,000
SALE PRICE	$46,245
BUSINESS BONUS CASH*	- 500

SALE PRICE* $45,745

(*MUST QUALIFY)

2020 FORD FUSION SE

MAGNETIC METALLIC, POWER MOONROOF, POWER SEAT, FORD CO-PILOT 360, REAR VIEW CAMERA REVERSE SENSING SYSTEM, KEYLESS KEYPAD, AND MUCH MORE! F20101

MSRP	$26,590
SIEMANS DISCOUNT	- 1,595
FORD SELECT INVENTORY BONUS CASH	- 500
FORD RETAIL CUSTOMER CASH	- 1,200
RETAIL TRADE-IN ASSISTANCE BONUS CASH*	- 2,000

SALE PRICE* $21,295

(*MUST QUALIFY)

2020 FORD F-150 SUPERCREW XLT 4X4

VELOCITY BLUE, SPORT APPEARANCE PACKAGE, LED BOX LIGHTING, POWER SLIDING REAR WINDOW, 2.7 V6 ECOBOOST ENGINE, NAVIGATION, TRAILER HITCH, REVERSE SENSING SYSTEM, AND MUCH MORE! F20202

MSRP	$50,105
SIEMANS DISCOUNT	- 3,110
FORD F-SERIES RETAIL CUSTOMER CASH	- 2,500
FORD SELECT INVENTORY CUSTOMER CASH	- 750
FORD BONUS CASH	- 1,500
TRADE-IN ASSISTANCE BONUS CASH*	- 1,000
COMPETITIVE CONQUEST BONUS CASH*	- 1,000

SALE PRICE* $40,245

(*MUST QUALIFY/MUST FINANCE THRU FORD MOTOR CREDIT)

2020 FORD F-150 4X4 PICKUP

ICONIC SILVER, 8 FOOT BED, POWER WINDOWS AND LOCKS, CHROME APPEARANCE PACKAGE, PLATFORM RUNNING BOARDS, LOCKING REAR AXLE, FORD PASS CONNECT, CLOTH SEAT, AND MUCH MORE! F20204

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MAGNETIC METALLIC, HEATED FRONT SEATS, BACK-UP CAMERA, ADAPTIVE CRUISE CONTROL, VOICE ACTIVATED NAVIGATION, 1.5 ECOBOOST ENGINE, AND MUCH MORE! F20306

LEASE FOR $199 PER MONTH*

24 MONTH LEASE WITH APPROVED CREDIT, 10,500 MILES PER YEAR, $3,500 DUE AT SIGNING, PLUS 1ST PAYMENT, TAX, TITLE, DOC FEE, PLATE FEE, SECURITY DEPOSIT WAIVED, *MUST QUALIFY FOR FORD RCL TRADE-IN ASSISTANCE CASH, OFFER EXPIRES 11/10/20

2020 FORD EXPEDITION LIMITED STEALTH 4X4

ICONIC SILVER METALLIC, LEATHER SEATS, PANORAMIC VISTA ROOF, 2ND ROW BUCKET SEATS, 22 INCH ALUMINUM WHEELS, NAVIGATION, 360 DEGREE CAMERA, ENHANCED ACTIVE PARK ASSIST, POWER RUNNING BOARDS, AND MUCH MORE! F20321

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2020 FORD EDGE SEL ALL WHEEL DRIVE

OXFORD WHITE, ACTIVEX SEAT MATERIAL, HEATED FRONT SEATS, HEATED STEERING WHEEL, 18 INCH ALUMINUM WHEELS, REVERSE SENSING SYSTEM, KEYLESS KEYPAD, AND MUCH MORE! F20354

LEASE FOR $239 PER MONTH*

24 MONTH LEASE WITH APPROVED CREDIT, 10,500 MILES PER YEAR, $3,300 DUE AT SIGNING, PLUS 1ST PAYMENT, TAX, TITLE, DOC FEE, PLATE FEE, SECURITY DEPOSIT WAIVED, *MUST QUALIFY FOR FORD COMPETITIVE CONQUEST BONUS CASH, OFFER EXPIRES 11/10/20

2020 FORD F-550 4X4 DUMP TRUCK

OXFORD WHITE, 6.7 POWER STROKE DIESEL, PAYLOAD PLUS UPGRADE, POWER WINDOWS AND LOCKS, TRAILER BRAKE CONTROLLER, SNOW PLOW PREP PACKAGE, VOTH DUMP BODY, AND MUCH MORE! F20380

MSRP	$57,720
ADD FOR VOTH DUMP BODY	+18,129
SUBTOTAL	$75,849
SIEMANS DISCOUNT	- 3,854
FORD F-SERIES RETAIL CUSTOMER CASH	- 500
FORD COMMERCIAL CONNECTION UPFIT CASH*	- 1,000

SALE PRICE* $70,495

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RAM CHRYSLER Jeep DODGE

2020 DODGE GRAND CARAVAN SE

WHITE KNUCKLE, BACK-UP CAMERA, 7-PASSENGER SEATING, TOUCH SCREEN RADIO, STOW AND GO SEATING, AND MUCH MORE! C20124

MSRP	$30,180
SIEMANS DISCOUNT	- 385
REBATE	- 1,750
CHRYSLER CAPITAL BONUS CASH*	- 1,000
RETAIL BONUS CASH	- 500
GRAND CARAVAN BONUS CASH	- 2,500
SALE PRICE FOR EVERYONE	$24,045
MILITARY CONSUMER CASH*	- 500
RETURNING LESSEE CASH*	- 500

AS LOW AS $23,045

(*MUST QUALIFY/MUST FINANCE THRU CHRYSLER CAPITAL)

2020 RAM 1500 CREW CAB 4X4 BIG HORN

DELMONICO RED, 5.7 HEMI V8, ANTI SPIN REAR AXLE, REAR POWER SLIDING WINDOW, POWER SEAT, TOUCH SCREEN RADIO, ADJUSTABLE PEDALS, AND MUCH MORE! C20129

MSRP	$47,925
EMPLOYEE DISCOUNT FOR EVERYONE	- 4,748
RAM COUPON	- 250
TRUCK OWNER CONQUEST*	- 1,000
SALE PRICE FOR EVERYONE	$41,927
MILITARY CONSUMER CASH*	- 500
CONQUEST LESSEE CASH*	- 500

AS LOW AS $40,927

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2020 DODGE JOURNEY

VICE WHITE, 3RD ROW SEATING, TOUCH SCREEN RADIO, PARK SENSE REAR PARK ASSIST, AND MUCH MORE! C20139

MSRP	$24,990
EMPLOYEE DISCOUNT FOR EVERYONE	- 1,249
GREAT LAKES CONQUEST TRADE-IN BONUS CASH*	- 2,500
SALE PRICE FOR EVERYONE	$21,241
MILITARY CONSUMER CASH*	- 500

AS LOW AS $20,741

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2020 JEEP RENEGADE LATITUDE 4X4

BLACK CLEAR COAT, HEATED FRONT SEATS, TOUCH SCREEN, HEATED STEERING WHEEL, REMOTE START, BACK-UP CAMERA, AND MUCH MORE! C20176

MSRP	$28,875
EMPLOYEE DISCOUNT FOR EVERYONE	- 1,790
CHRYSLER CAPITAL 2020 BONUS CASH*	- 750
NATIONAL 2020 RETAIL BONUS CASH	- 500
SALE PRICE FOR EVERYONE	$25,835
2020 RETURNING LESSEE (EP ELIGIBLE)*	- 500
MILITARY CONSUMER CASH*	- 500

AS LOW AS $24,835

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2020 CHRYSLER PACIFICA LIMITED

GRANITE CRYSTAL, POWER FOLDING THIRD SEAT, HANDS FREE SLIDING DOORS, NAVIGATION, HEATED FIRST AND SECOND ROW SEATS, HANDS FREE POWER LIFTGATE, REMOTE START, TRI-PANE PANORAMIC SUNROOF, HEATED STEERING WHEEL, BLIND SPOT AND CROSS PATH DETECTION, AND MUCH MORE! C20196

MSRP	$46,290
EMPLOYEE DISCOUNT FOR EVERYONE	- 3,648
GREAT LAKES CHRYSLER CAPITAL 2020 BONUS CASH*	- 1,000
GREAT LAKES BC PACIFICA CONQUEST BONUS CASH*	- 1,000
NATIONAL 2020 RETAIL BONUS CASH	- 1,000
PACIFICA CONQUEST RETAIL BONUS CASH	- 1,000
SALE PRICE FOR EVERYONE	$38,642
MILITARY CONSUMER CASH*	- 500

AS LOW AS $38,162

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2020 JEEP CHEROKEE TRAILHAWK 4X4

BRIGHT WHITE, 3.2 V6 ENGINE, REMOTE START, HEATED FRONT SEATS, TOUCH SCREEN RADIO, HEATED STEERING WHEEL, BLIND SPOT AND CROSS PATH DETECTION, AND MUCH MORE! C20231

MSRP	$37,245
EMPLOYEE DISCOUNT FOR EVERYONE	- 2,488
CHRYSLER CAPITAL 2020 BONUS CASH*	- 750
NATIONAL 2020 RETAIL BONUS CASH	- 750
2020 BONUS CASH	- 500
SALE PRICE FOR EVERYONE	$32,757
2020 RETURNING LESSEE (EP ELIGIBLE)*	- 500
MILITARY CONSUMER CASH*	- 500

AS LOW AS $31,757

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2020 RAM 1500 CREW CAB 4X4 LARAMIE

GRANITE CRYSTAL, 5.7 V8 HEMI E-TORQUE ENGINE, 22 INCH POLISHED PAINTED ALUMINUM WHEELS, SPORT APPEARANCE PACKAGE, ANTI-SPIN REAR AXLE, LEATHER SEATS, NAVIGATION, SPORT PERFORMANCE HOOD, 19 SPEAKER HARMAN KARDON SPEAKER SYSTEM, HEATED SEATS, HEATED STEERING WHEEL, BLIND SPOT AND CROSS PATH DETECTION, AND MUCH MORE! C20251

MSRP	$60,055
EMPLOYEE DISCOUNT FOR EVERYONE	- 7,204
RAM BONUS CASH COUPON	- 250
TRUCK OWNER CONQUEST BONUS CASH*	- 1,000
SALE PRICE FOR EVERYONE	$51,601
MILITARY CONSUMER CASH*	- 500

AS LOW AS $51,101

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2021 JEEP WRANGLER SPORT 4X4

BLACK, 2.0 4-CYLINDER TURBO ENGINE, PREMIUM BLACK SUNRIDER SOFT TOP, TOUCH SCREEN RADIO, 8 SPEED AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION, POWER WINDOWS AND LOCKS, REAR BACK-UP CAMERA, AND MUCH MORE! C21008

MSRP	$36,025
SIEMANS DISCOUNT	- 530
SALE PRICE FOR EVERYONE	$35,495
MILITARY CONSUMER CASH*	- 500

AS LOW AS $34,995

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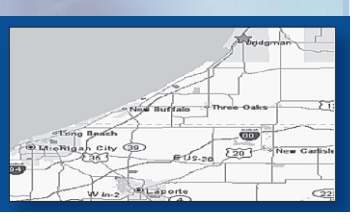

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2013 NISSAN JUKE SL AWD

1.6 EFI Engine, Automatic Transmission, Aluminum Wheels, 80K Miles, Leather Heated Front Seats, Power Moon Roof, Auto Temp Control, CD-Player, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Car Smart Checked! Blue F20209B

Was $11,373 NOW $9,694

2017 FORD EDGE SEL AWD

2.0 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 44K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Power Leather Heated Front Seats, CD-Player, Blind Spot Information System, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Hands Free Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Ruby Red U20131A

Was $24,500 NOW $21,787

2017 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE LIMITED 4X4

3.6 V6 EFI Engine, 8 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 33K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Memory Power Leather Heated Seats, Heated Steering Wheel, 2nd Row Heated Seats, Power Moon Roof, Touchscreen Display, Blind Spot and Cross Path Detection, Rear Park Assist, Rear View Camera, Power Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Jeep Certified! Billet Silver U20174

Was $31,951 NOW $29,613

2015 CHEVY IMPALA LT

3.6 EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 144K Miles, Remote Start, Power Leather Front Seats, Auto Climate Control, CD-Player, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Car Smart Checked! Blue C20218A

Was $12,920 Now $11,915

2014 JEEP WRANGLER UNLIMITED 4X4

3.6 V6 EFI Engine, 5 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 73K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, 3-Piece Hard Top, Heated Front Seats, Touchscreen Display, Remote Keyless Entry System, Car Smart Checked, Black U20176

Was $31,749 NOW $29,994

2017 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE ALTITUDE 4X4

3.6 V6 EFI Engine, 8 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 37K Miles, Remote Start, Power Heated Front Seats, Heated Steering Wheel, Rear View Camera, Power Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Jeep Certified! Billet Silver U20181

Was $31,228 NOW $30,346

2019 FORD TRANSIT 350 XLT 15 PASSENGER VAN

3.7 V6 EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 18K Miles, Preferred Equipment Package, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Oxford White U20112A

Was $32,729 NOW $29,995

2017 FORD EXPLORER PLATINUM 4X4

3.5 V6 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 30K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, SYNC 3, Memory Power Leather Heated/AC Seats, Power Adjust Pedals, 2nd Row Heated Seats, Power Moon Roof, Auto Climate Control, Adaptive Cruise Control, Front and Rear View Cameras, Lane-Keeping System, Active Park Assist, Reverse Sensing System, Power Lift Gate, Trailer Tow Package, Ford Certified! Shadow Black

Was $35,989 NOW $35,344

2018 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE LIMITED 4X4

3.6 V6 EFI Engine, 8 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 26K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Memory Power Leather Heated Front Seats, Heated Steering Wheel, 2nd Row Heated Seats, Power Moon Roof, Blind Spot and Cross Path Detection, Reverse Park Assist, Rear View Camera, Power Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Jeep Certified! Black Diamond U20180

Was $33,520 NOW $31,822

2017 CHRYSLER PACIFICA TOURING-L PLUS

3.6 V6 EFI Engine, 9 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 51K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Power Leather Heated Front Seats, Heated Steering Wheel, 2nd Row Heated Seats, Power Slide Side Doors, Power Lift Gate, Blind Spot and Cross Path Detection, Reverse Park Assist, Rear View Camera, DVD Entertainment Center, Remote Keyless Entry System, Chrysler Certified! Tusk White C20212A

Was $26,811 NOW $23,499

2016 FORD EDGE SEL AWD

2.0 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 49K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, SYNC 3, Power Heated Front Seats, Panoramic Moon Roof, Blind Spot Information System, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Too Good To Be Blue U20171

Was $22,555 NOW $20,994

2017 FORD FUSION V6 SPORT AWD

2.7 V6 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 31K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Sport Upgrade Package, Memory Power Leather Heated Front Seats, Aluminum Sport Pedals, Power Moon Roof, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Ruby Red, C19274B

Was $23,675 NOW $20,900

2019 FORD F-150 LARIAT SUPERCREW DIESEL 4X4

3.0 V6 EFI Turbo Diesel Engine, 10 Speed Automatic, Chrome-Like PVD Wheels, Only 9K Miles! Remote Start, Navigation, SYNC 3, Chrome Step Bars, Memory Power Leather Heated/AC Front Seats, Heated Steering Wheel, Memory Power Adjust Pedals, 2nd Row Heated Seats, Twin Panel Moon Roof, Blind Spot Information System, Reverse Sensing System, Trailer Tow Package, Trailer Tow Monitor, Trailer Back Up Assist, Smart Trailer Tow Connector, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Ruby Red C20246A

Was $54,990 NOW $53,477

2018 FORD F-150 XLT SUPERCREW 4X4

3.5 V6 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 10 Speed Automatic, Chrome-Like PVD Wheels, 11K Miles, Remote Start, SYNC 3, Chrome Step Bars, Power Heated Front Seats, Power Pedals, Blind Spot Information System, Trailer Tow Monitor, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Magma Red F20218A

Was $40,966 NOW $38,996

2018 FORD FUSION SE AWD

2.0 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, Only 13K Miles! Remote Start, Navigation, SE Luxury Package, Power Driver's Seat, Heated Front Seats, Power Moon Roof, SYNC 3, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Magnetic, F20394A

NOW $22,883

2014 GMC SIERRA 1500 SLT 4X4

5.3 V8 EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 84K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Security Cover, Bed Liner, Running Boards, Memory Power Leather Heated Seats, Auto Climate Control, CD-Player, Remote Keyless Entry System, Car Smart Checked! Black F19385B

Was $31,499 NOW $30,553

2018 FORD F-150 XLT SUPERCREW 4X4

3.5 V6 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 10 Speed Automatic, Chrome-Like PVD Wheels, 44K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, SYNC 3, Chrome Step Bars, Power Heated Front Seats, Power Adjust Pedals, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Pro Trailer Back-Up Assist, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! White Gold, C20261A

Was $39,872 NOW $37,808

2016 FORD EDGE SEL AWD

2.0 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 35K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, SYNC 3, Power Leather Heated Front Seats, Heated Steering Wheel, Blind Spot Monitor, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Hands Free Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Kona Blue, F20285A

Was $23,810 NOW $20,999

2018 CHEVY EQUINOX LT AWD

1.5 EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 36K Miles, Remote Start, Power Driver's Seat, Heated Front Seats, Auto Climate Control, Rear View Camera, Power Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Balance of Factory Warranty! White U20165

Was $21,851 NOW $19,400

2014 CHEVY CRUZE LTZ RS

1.4 EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 104K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Power Leather Heated Front Seats, Power Moon Roof, CD-Player, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Car Smart Checked! Black, C19234B

Was $9,953 NOW $9,499

2017 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE LIMITED 4X4

3.6 V6 EFI Engine, 8 Speed Automatic, Tech Gray Aluminum Wheels, 50K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Memory Power Leather Heated Front Seats, Heated Steering Wheel, 2nd Row Heated Seats, Power Moon Roof, Touchscreen Display, Blind Spot and Cross Path Detection, Park Assist, Rear View Camera, Power Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Jeep Certified! Diamond Black U20178

Was $32,380 NOW $30,499

2018 RAM 1500 BIG HORN CREW CAB 4X4

5.7 V8 HEMI EFI Engine, 8 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 36K Miles, Bed Liner, Running Boards, Remote Start, Power Driver's Seat, Heated Front Seats, Heated Steering Wheel, Trailer Brake Control, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ram Certified! Brilliant Black, U20189

NOW $34,543

2015 CHEVY MALIBU LTZ TURBO

2.0 EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 75K Miles, Remote Start, Memory Power Leather Heated Front Seats, Power Moon Roof, Auto Climate Control, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Car Smart Checked! White, C20041A

Was $14,654 NOW $13,124

2018 FORD ESCAPE SEL 4X4

1.5 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 32K Miles, SYNC 3, Power Driver's Seat, Leather Heated Front Seats, Panoramic Moon Roof, CD-Player, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Power Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! White Gold, U20183

Was $22,228 NOW $20,839

2016 FORD EDGE SEL AWD

3.5 V6 EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 49K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, SYNC 3, Power Leather Heated Front Seats, Heated Steering Wheel, Blind Spot Monitor, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Hands Free Lift Gate, Trailer Tow Package, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! White Platinum, F20410A

NOW $22,923

2014 VOLKSWAGEN PASSAT SE

1.8 EFI Engine, Automatic Transmission, Aluminum Spoked Wheels, 156K Miles, Power Leather Heated Front Seats, CD-Player, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Car Smart Checked! White

NOW $9,822

2019 DODGE GRAND CARAVAN SXT

3.6 V6 EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 42K Miles, Remote Start, CD-Player, Power Driver's Seat, Power Slide Side Doors, Rear View Camera, Power Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Balance of Powertrain Factory Warranty! White Knuckle S20013

Was $20,500 NOW $19,995

2017 FORD F-150 XLT SUPERCAB 4X4

2.7 V6 EFI Ecoboost Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 39K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, SYNC 3, Power Driver's Seat, Reverse Sensing System, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Shadow Black U20186

Was $34,618 NOW $33,996

2017 FORD F-150 XLT SUPERCAB 4X4

3.5 V6 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 10 Speed Automatic, Chrome-Like PVD Wheels, 49K Miles, Security Cover, Bed Liner Mat, Running Boards, Remote Start, Navigation, Trailer Tow Group, Pro Trailer Back-Up Assist, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, SYNC 3, Power Heated Front Seats, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Shadow Black F20376A

Was $34,980 NOW $33,989

2017 FORD F-150 XLT SUPERCREW 4X4

3.5 V6 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 10 Speed Automatic with Tow Mode, Aluminum Wheels, 35K Miles, Bed Liner, Running Boards, FX4 Off-Road Package, Remote Start, SYNC 3, Power Driver's Seat, Dual Panel Moon Roof, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Trailer Tow Package, Pro Trailer Back-Up Assist, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Shadow Black U20138

Was $39,595 Now $36,995

2019 DODGE GRAND CARAVAN GT

3.6 V6 EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 46K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, Power Leather Heated Seating, Heated Steering Wheel, Stow 'N Go Seats, Auto Climate Control, Power Slide Side Doors, Power Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Car Smart Checked! Granite S20012

Was $20,995 NOW $19,995

2018 MERCEDES GLC 300 4MATIC AWD

2.0 EFI Engine, 9 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 32K Miles, Memory Power Leather Heat Seating, Power Moon Roof, Auto Climate Control, CD-Player, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Balance of Factory Warranty!

Was $33,995 NOW 32,995

2018 FORD ESCAPE SEL 4X4

1.5 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 26K Miles, SYNC 3, Power Leather Heated Front Seats, Panoramic Moon Roof, Auto Climate Control, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Power Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Ruby Red U20187

Was $22,203 NOW $21,341

2017 TOYOTA HIGHLANDER XLE AWD

3.5 V6 EFI Engine, 8 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 24K Miles, Navigation, Power Leather Heated Front Seats, Power Moon Roof, Auto Climate Control, Lane Departure Warning, Blind Spot Monitor, Cross Traffic Alert, Rear View Camera, Power Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Balance of Factory Warranty! PreDawn Gray Mica, C20227A

NOW $33,226

2017 FORD EXPLORER XLT 4X4

3.5 V6 EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 46K Miles, Remote Start, Navigation, SYNC 3, Power Leather Heated Front Seats, Heated Steering Wheel, Twin Panel Moon Roof, Auto Climate Control, Forward and Reverse Sensing System, Blind Spot Monitor, Rear View Camera, Hands Free Lift Gate, Trailer Tow Package, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! Smoked Quartz, U20147

Was $30,989 NOW $28,994

2017 FORD ESCAPE SE 4X4

1.5 Ecoboost EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Machined Aluminum Wheels, 34K Wheels, SYNC 3, Power Leather Heated Front Seats, Panoramic Moon Roof, Auto Climate Control, Blind Spot Monitor, Reverse Sensing System, Rear View Camera, Power Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Ford Certified! White Gold U20172

Was $20,884 NOW $18,499

2013 TOYOTA PRIUS C HYBRID HATCHBACK

1.5 EFI Engine, CVT Automatic, Styled Wheel Covers, 107K Miles, Auto Climate Control, CD-Player, Remote Keyless Entry System, Car Smart Checked! Blue

Was $9,994 NOW $9,359

2019 MAZDA 3 PREFERRED HATCHBACK AWD

2.5 EFI Engine, Automatic Transmission, Aluminum Wheels, Only 6K Miles! Preferred Package, Power Driver's Seat, Leather Heated Front Seats, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Mazda Pre-Owned Certified! Machine Gray S20016

WAS $23,500 NOW $22,500

2018 HYUNDAI SANTA FE SPORT AWD

2.4 EFI Engine, 6 Speed Automatic, Aluminum Wheels, 23K Miles, Power Driver's Seat, Cloth and Leather Heated Front Seats, CD-Player, Rear View Camera, Remote Keyless Entry System, Balance of Factory Warranty! Platinum Graphite F20289A

Was $21,994 NOW $19,848

2016 TOYOTA HIGHLANDER LIMITED AWD

3.5 EFI Engine, Automatic Transmission, Aluminum Wheels, 117K Miles, Memory Power Leather Heated/AC Seats, Power Moon Roof, Auto Climate Control, CD-Player, Rear View Camera, Power Lift Gate, Remote Keyless Entry System, Car Smart Checked! Gray, C21020A

NOW $24,943

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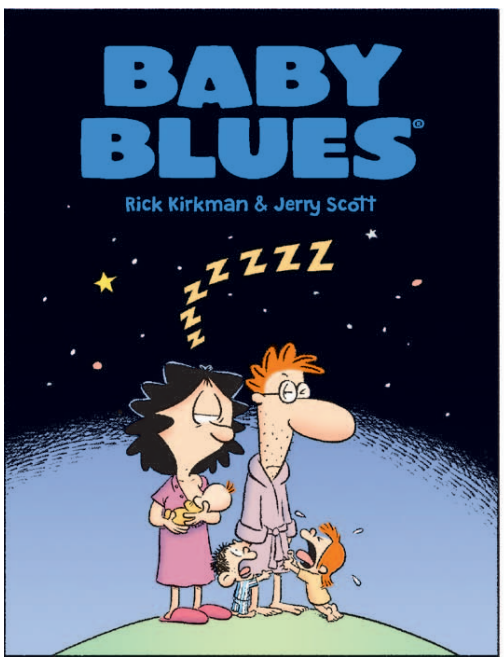

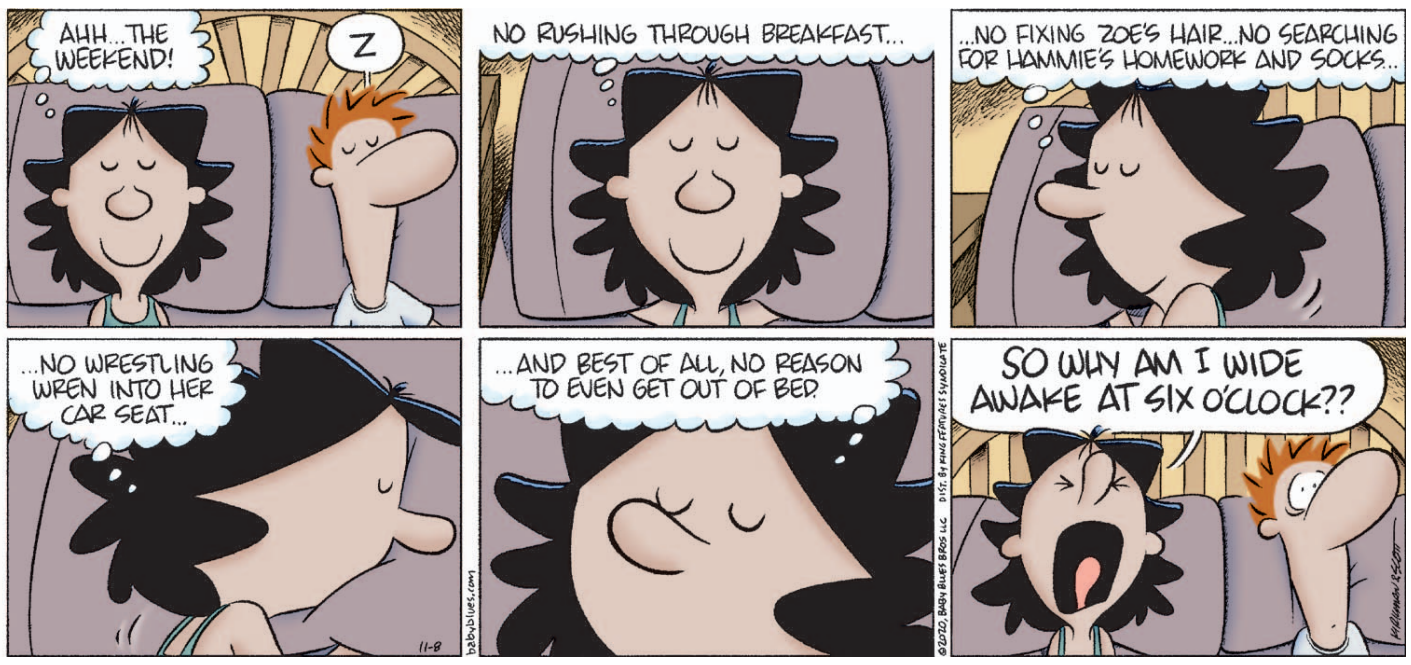
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...NO WRESTLING WREN INTO HER CAR SEAT...
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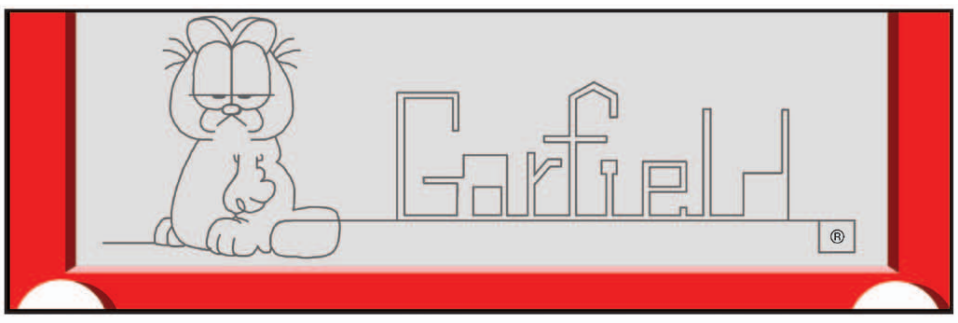
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QUIET! AND I MEAN IT!
BARK! BARK! BARK! BARK!
I CAN'T FIND ANY OF MY SOCKS
LET'S JUST SAY THEY'RE OTHERWISE EMPLOYED AT THE MOMENT
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I'M NOT HUNGRY TODAY. DO YOU WANT MY BANANA?
THAT'S AN APPLE.
UM. . . NO. THIS IS A BANANA.
CLEARLY IT IS NOT.
I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU ARE MAKING ME DO A GOOGLE SEARCH TO PROVE I KNOW WHAT A BANANA IS.
SEE? THOSE ARE BANANAS. THIS LOOKS JUST LIKE THE PHOTOS. THIS IS A BANANA.
THOSE IMAGES ARE DOCTORED.
THERE ARE A MILLION BANANA IMAGES! THEY ARE NOT ALL DOCTORED!
YOU KNOW HOW I KNOW YOU ARE WRONG? BECAUSE YOU NEVER ADMIT YOU ARE WRONG.
GOTCHA!
THAT IS NOT A THING!!!
THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT ALL THE PEOPLE WHO ARE WRONG SAY.
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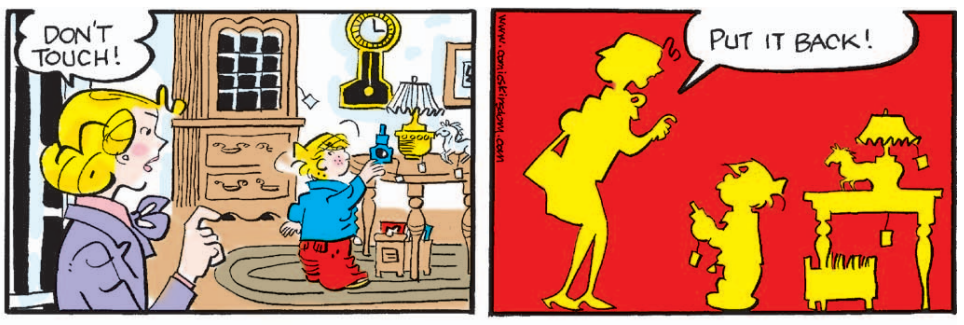

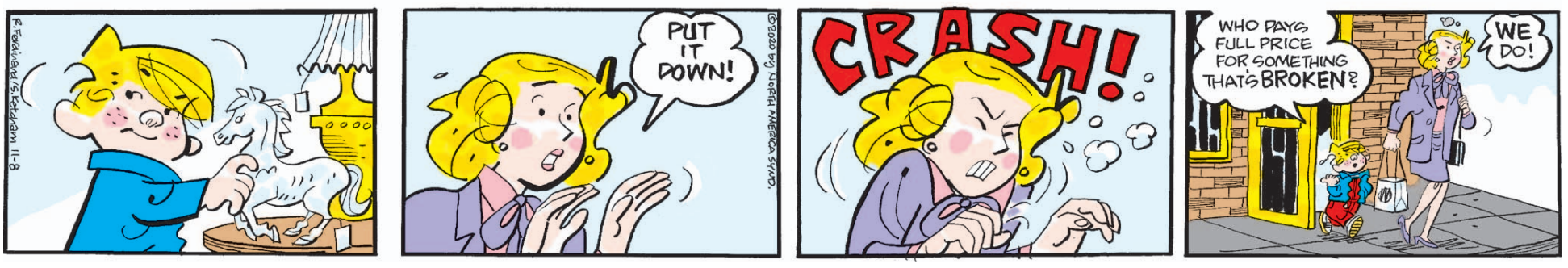

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by RAY BILLINGSLEY

I CAN ALWAYS TELL WHEN IT'S SUNDAY
SOMETHIN' SMELLS GOOD!
I'M MAKING ROAST CHICKEN, POTATOES AND GRAVY FOR DINNER, CURTIS
I WAS IN MY ROOM WITH THE DOOR SHUT AND DIDN'T SMELL IT BEFORE
TASTE!
UMMM
WOULD YOU BE UPSET IF I SAID I HOPED WE COULD ORDER PIZZA FOR DINNER?
I MEAN, WOULD YOU BE TERRIBLY, TERRIBLY UPSET IF I SAID THAT?
NO, I WOULDN'T GET UPSET
I KNOW HOW MUCH KIDS LIKE PIZZA!
TASTE!
UMMERS
BING BONG!
WOULD YOU BE TERRIBLY, TERRIBLY UPSET IF I SAID THAT I ALREADY ORDERED IT?
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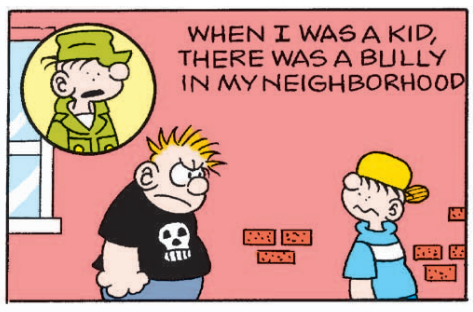

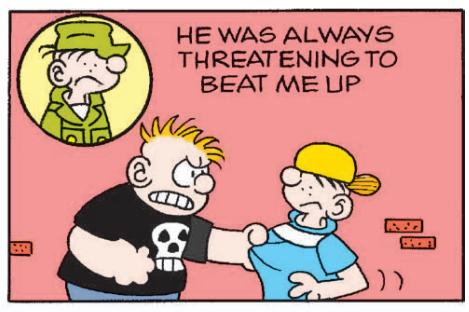

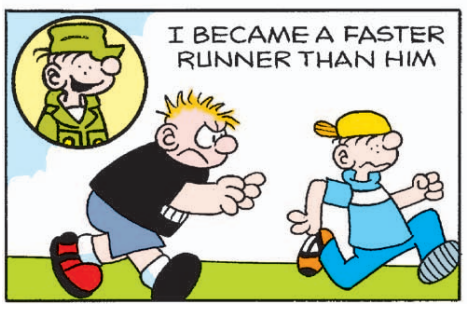

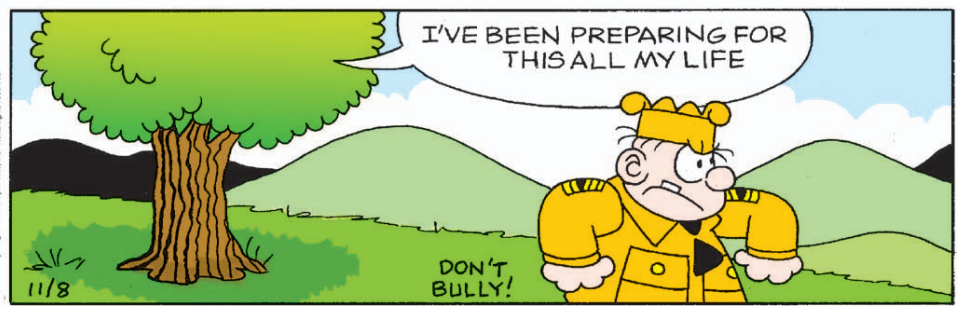

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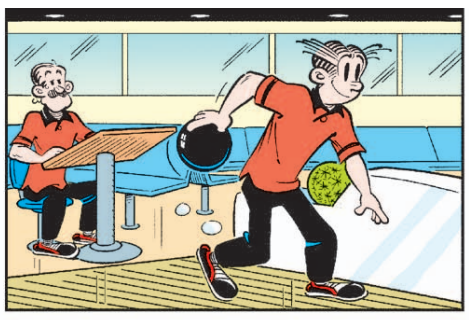

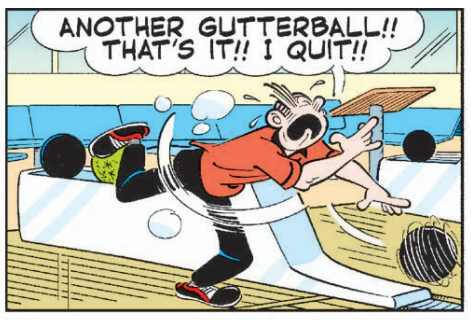

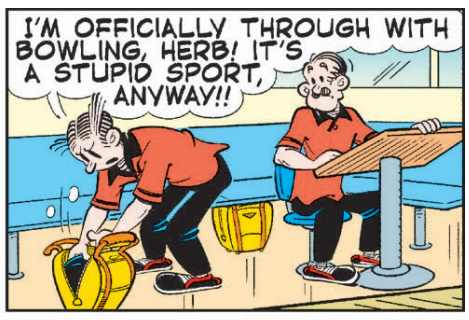

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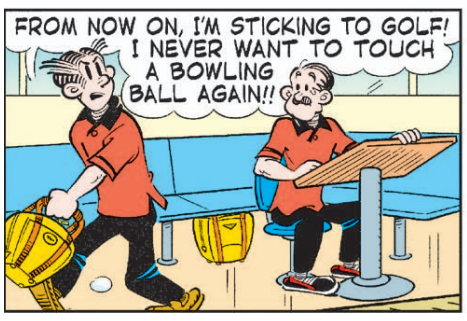

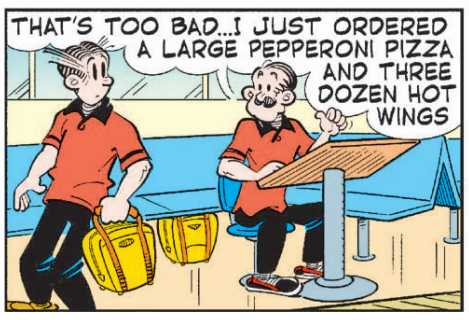

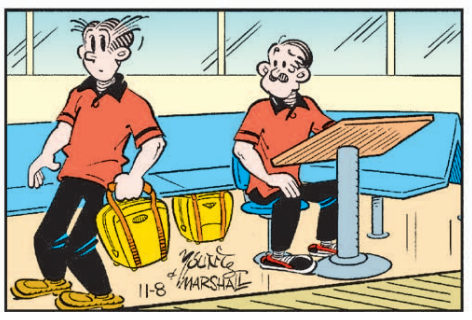

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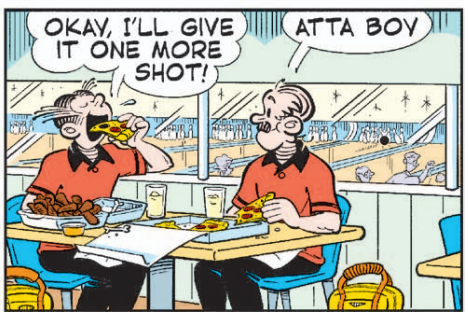

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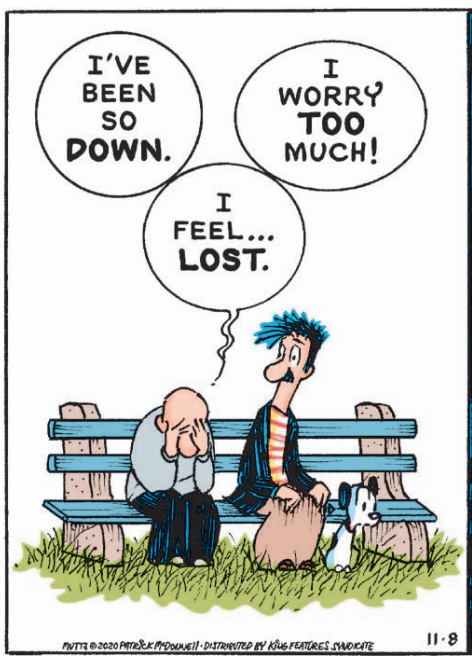

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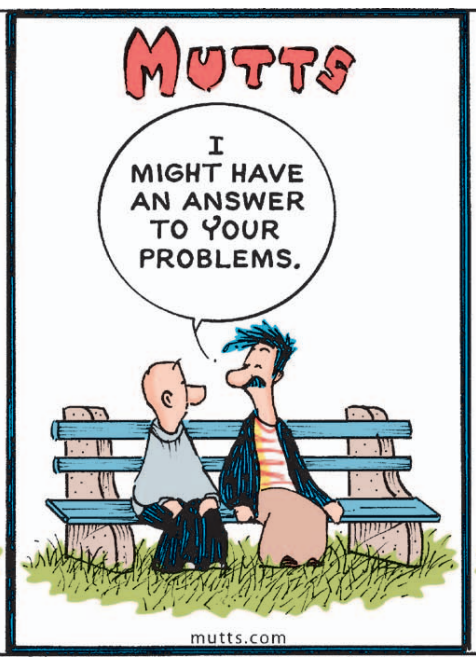

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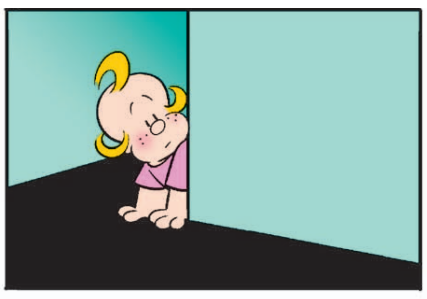

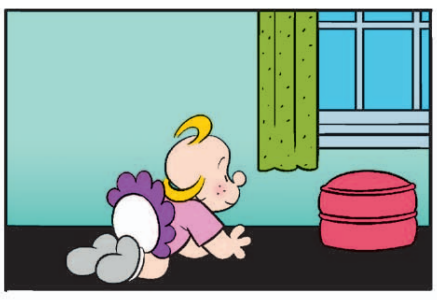

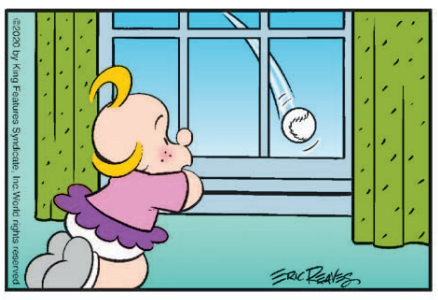

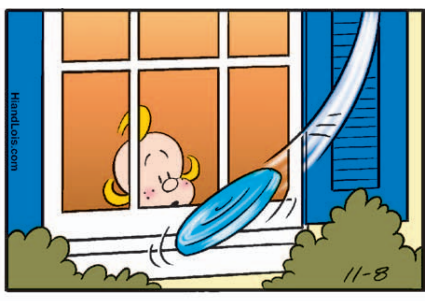

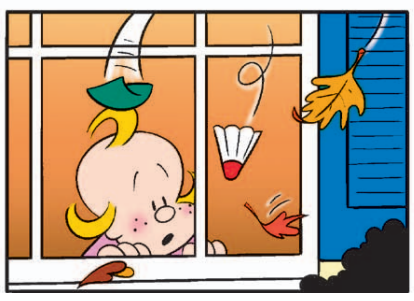

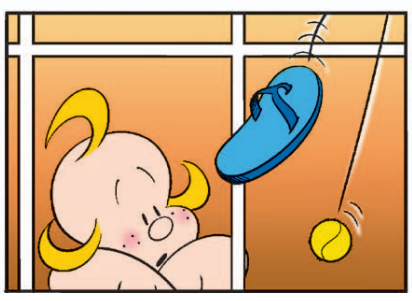

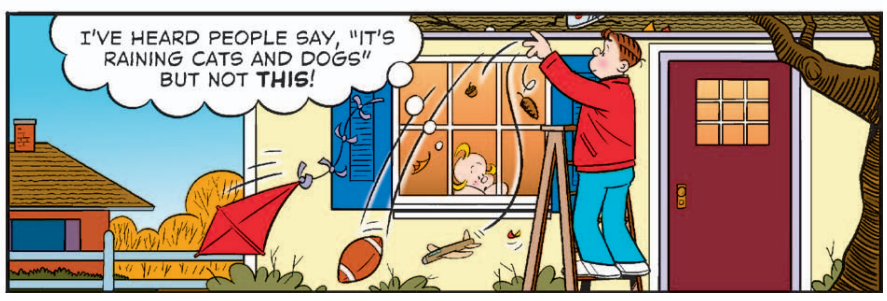

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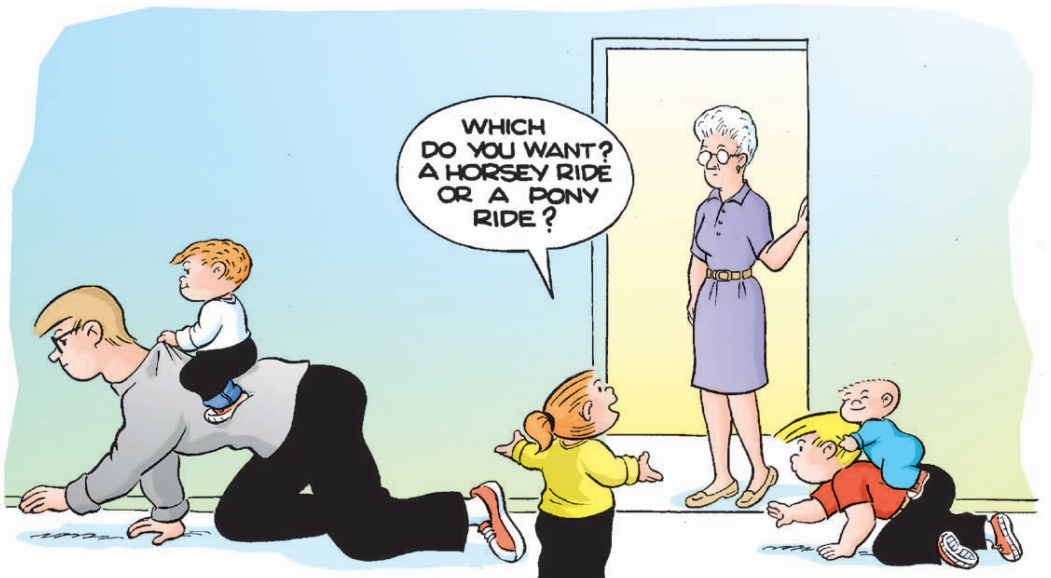

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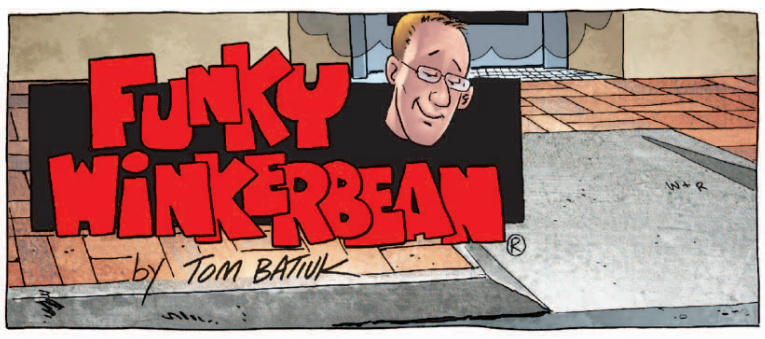

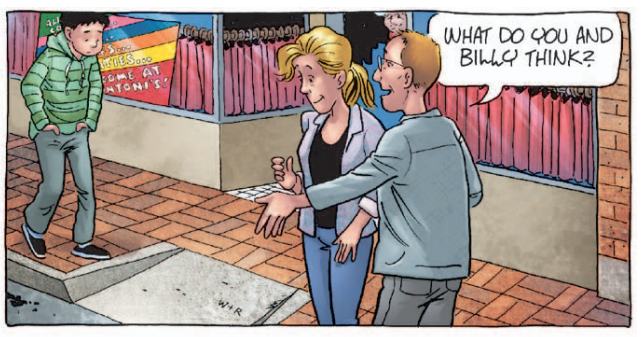

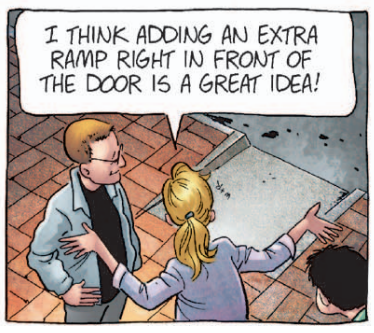

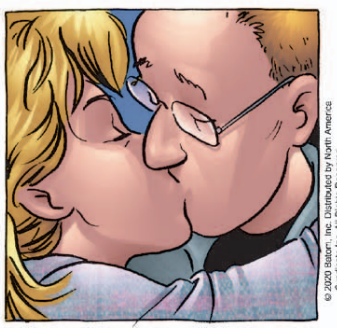

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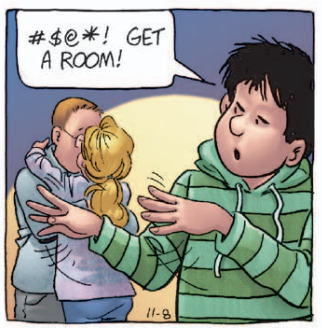

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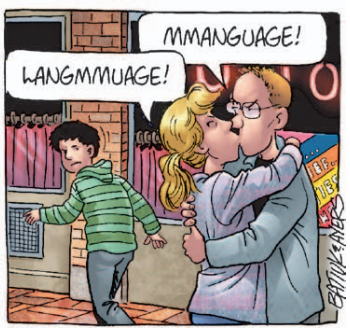
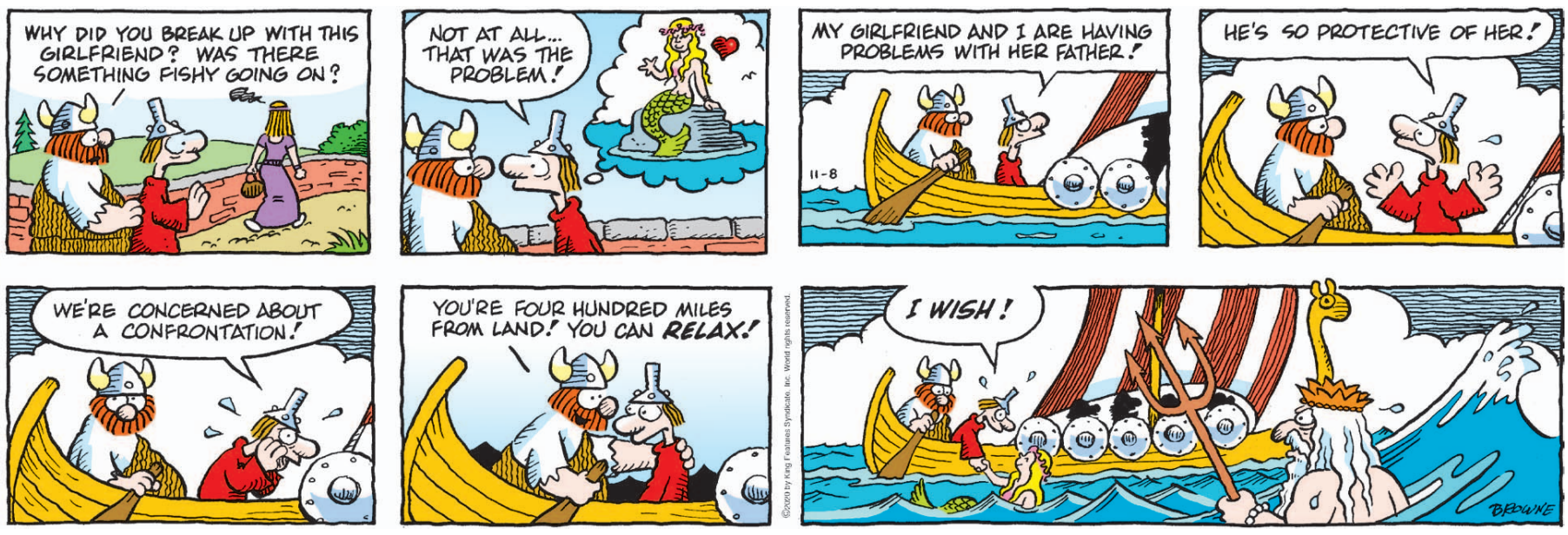


HAGAR the horrible

by DIK BROWNE


WHY DID YOU BREAK UP WITH THIS GIRLFRIEND? WAS THERE SOMETHING FISHY GOING ON?
NOT AT ALL... THAT WAS THE PROBLEM!
MY GIRLFRIEND AND I ARE HAVING PROBLEMS WITH HER FATHER!
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HE'S SO PROTECTIVE OF HER!
WE'RE CONCERNED ABOUT A CONFRONTATION!
YOU'RE FOUR HUNDRED MILES FROM LAND! YOU CAN RELAX!
I WISH!
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THE LOCKHORNS

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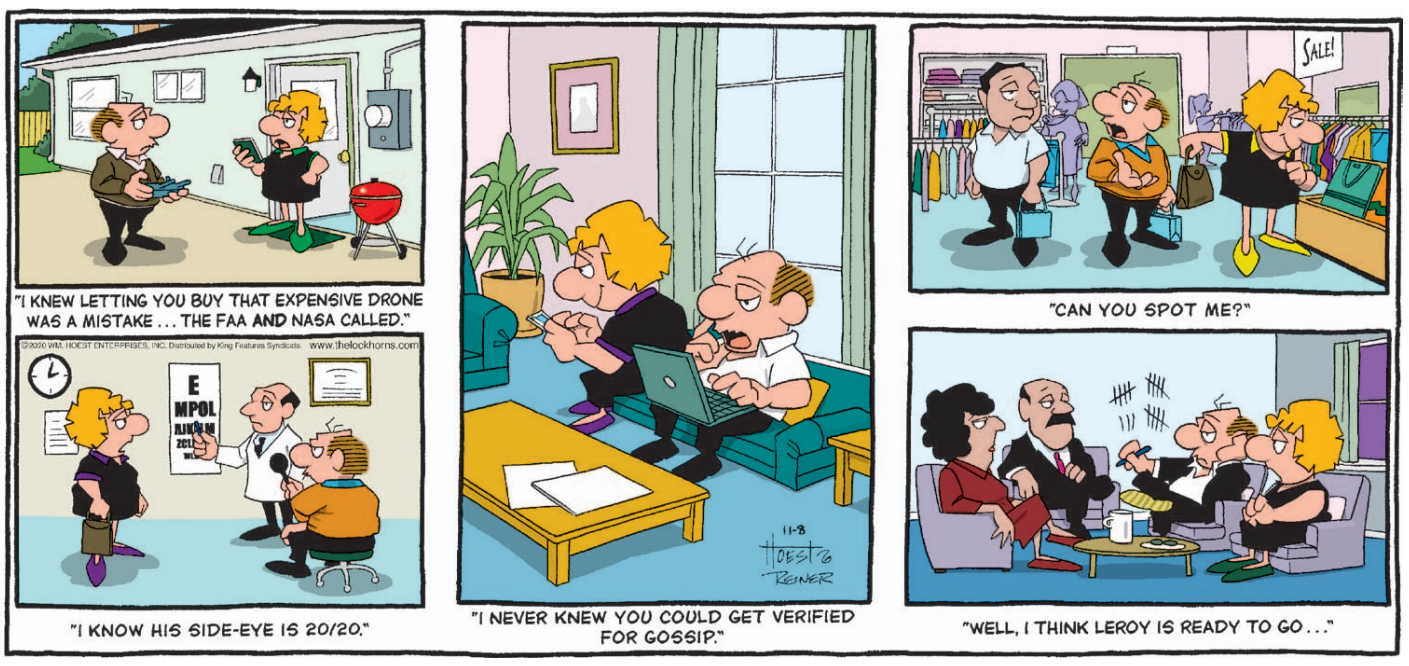
"I KNEW LETTING YOU BUY THAT EXPENSIVE DRONE WAS A MISTAKE ... THE FAA AND NASA CALLED."
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"I KNOW HIS SIDE-EYE IS 20/20."
"I NEVER KNEW YOU COULD GET VERIFIED FOR GOSSIP."
SALE!
"CAN YOU SPOT ME?"
"WELL, I THINK LEROY IS READY TO GO..."

SALLY FORTH®

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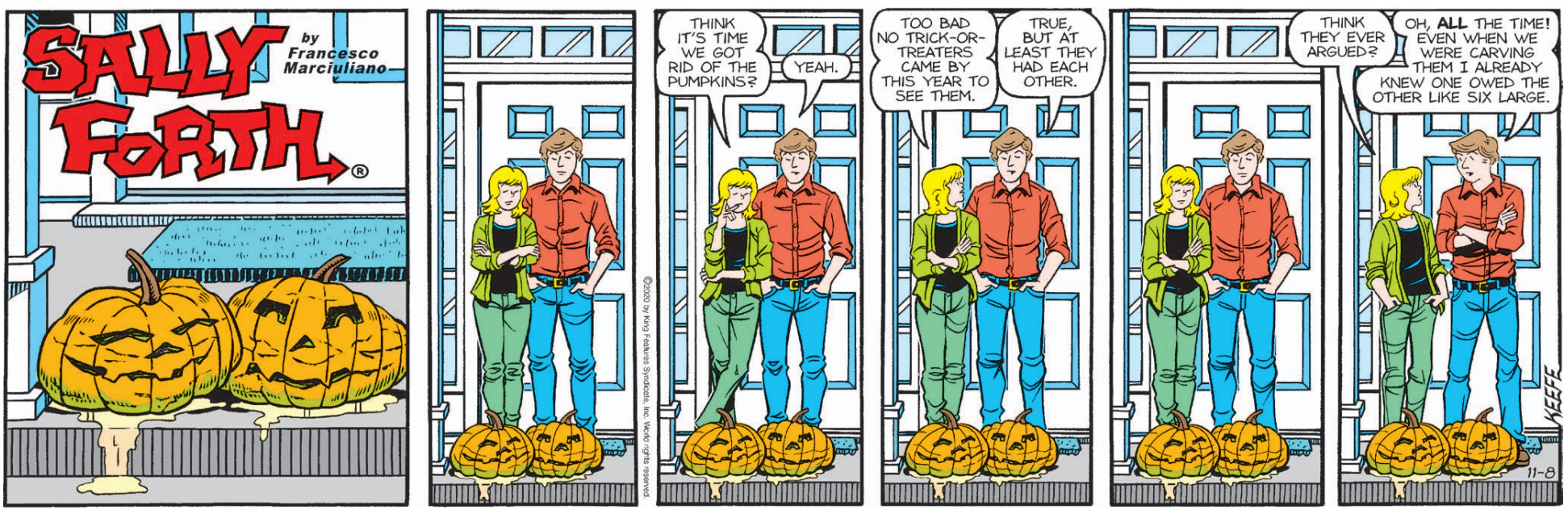
THINK IT'S TIME WE GOT RID OF THE PUMPKINS?
YEAH.
TOO BAD NO TRICK-OR-TREATERS CAME BY THIS YEAR TO SEE THEM.
TRUE, BUT AT LEAST THEY HAD EACH OTHER.
THINK THEY EVER ARGUED?
OH, ALL THE TIME! EVEN WHEN WE WERE CARVING THEM I ALREADY KNEW ONE OWED THE OTHER LIKE SIX LARGE.
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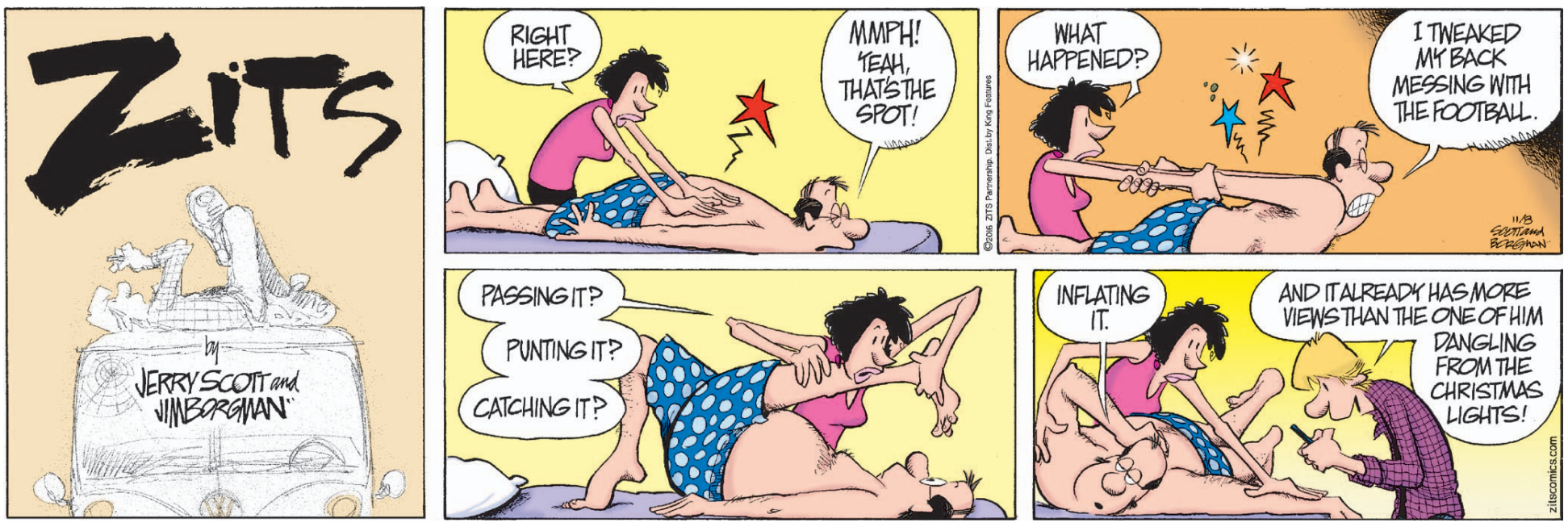
RIGHT HERE?
MMPH! YEAH, THAT'S THE SPOT!
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WHAT HAPPENED?
I TWEAKED MY BACK MESSING WITH THE FOOTBALL.
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PASSING IT?
PUNTING IT?
CATCHING IT?
INFLATING IT.
AND IT ALREADY HAS MORE VIEWS THAN THE ONE OF HIM DANGLING FROM THE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS!
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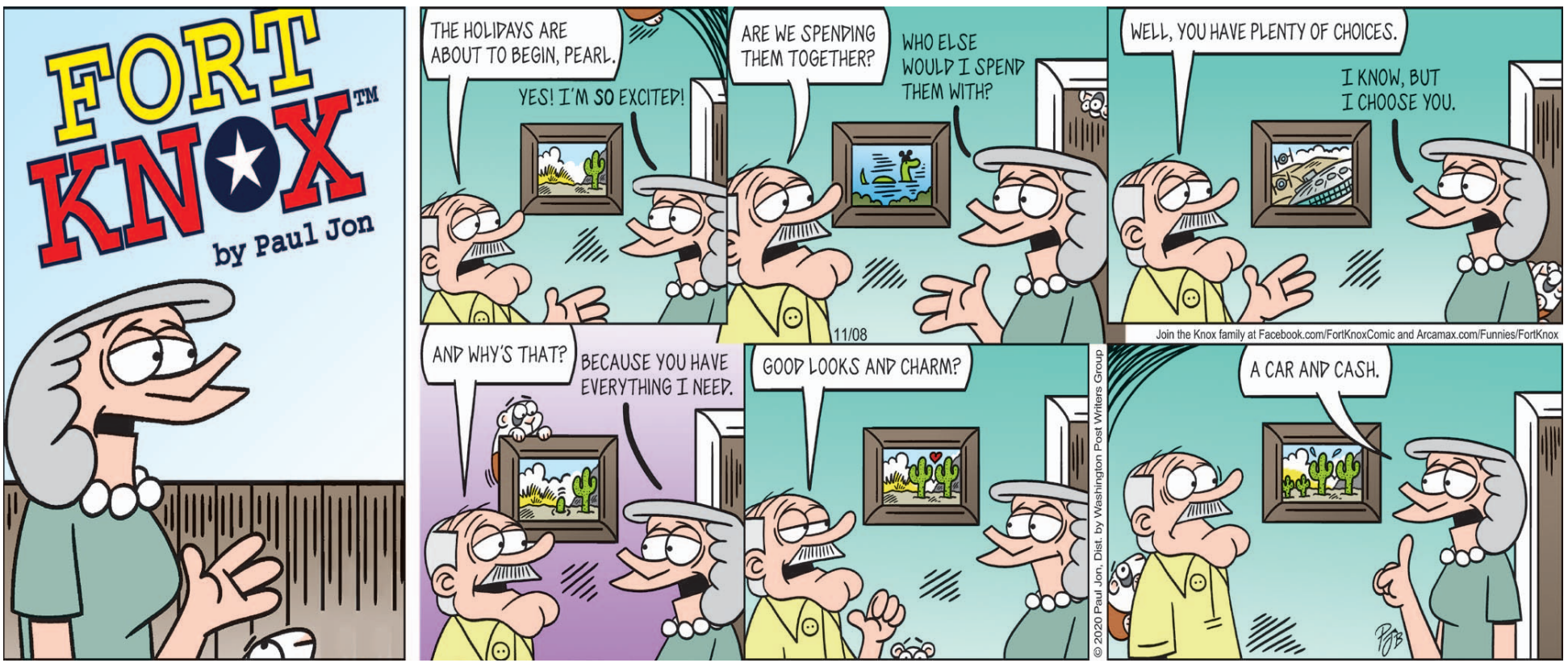
by Paul Jon


THE HOLIDAYS ARE ABOUT TO BEGIN, PEARL.
YES! I'M SO EXCITED!
ARE WE SPENDING THEM TOGETHER?
WHO ELSE WOULD I SPEND THEM WITH?
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WELL, YOU HAVE PLENTY OF CHOICES.
I KNOW, BUT I CHOOSE YOU.
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AND WHY'S THAT?
BECAUSE YOU HAVE EVERYTHING I NEED.
GOOD LOOKS AND CHARM?
A CAR AND CASH.
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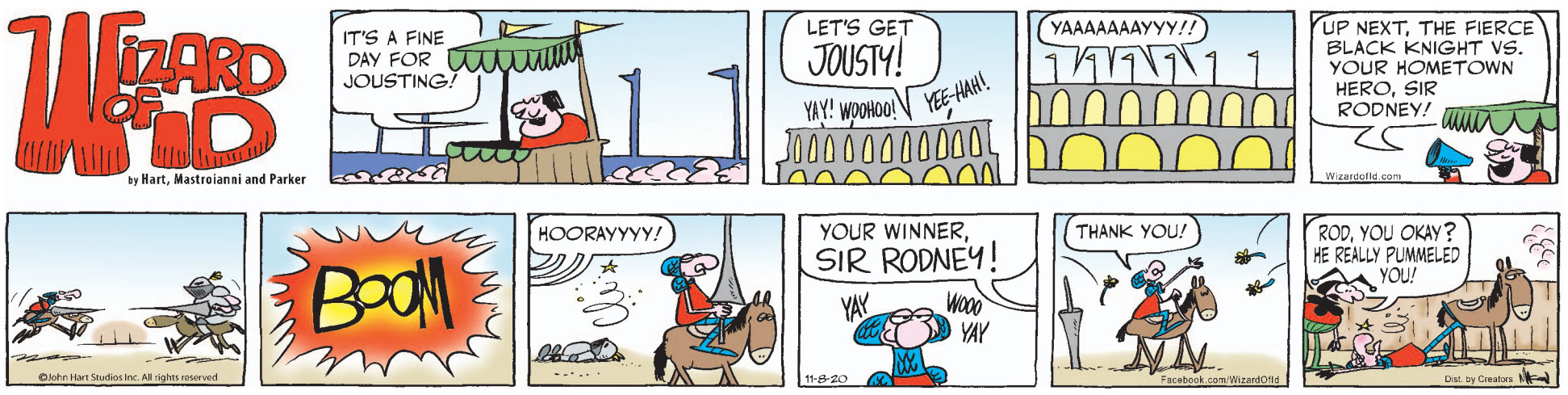

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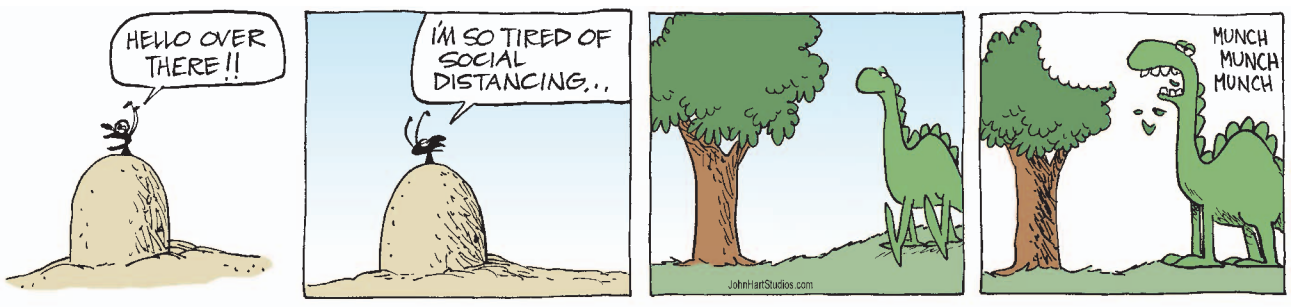

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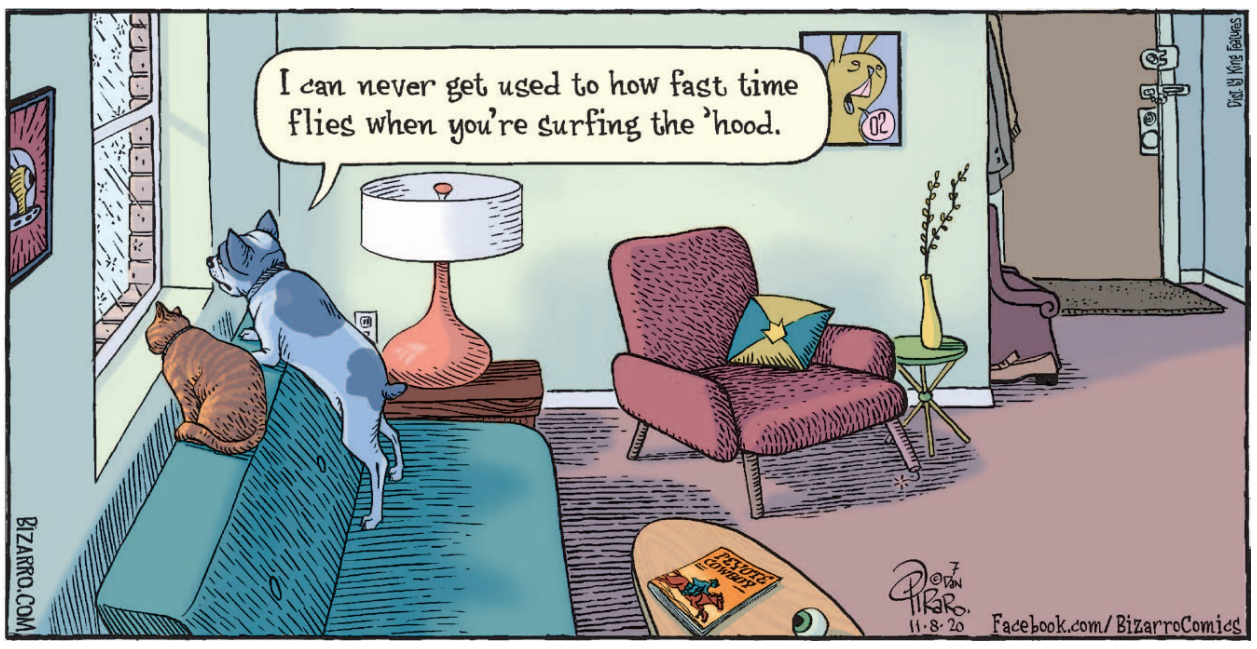

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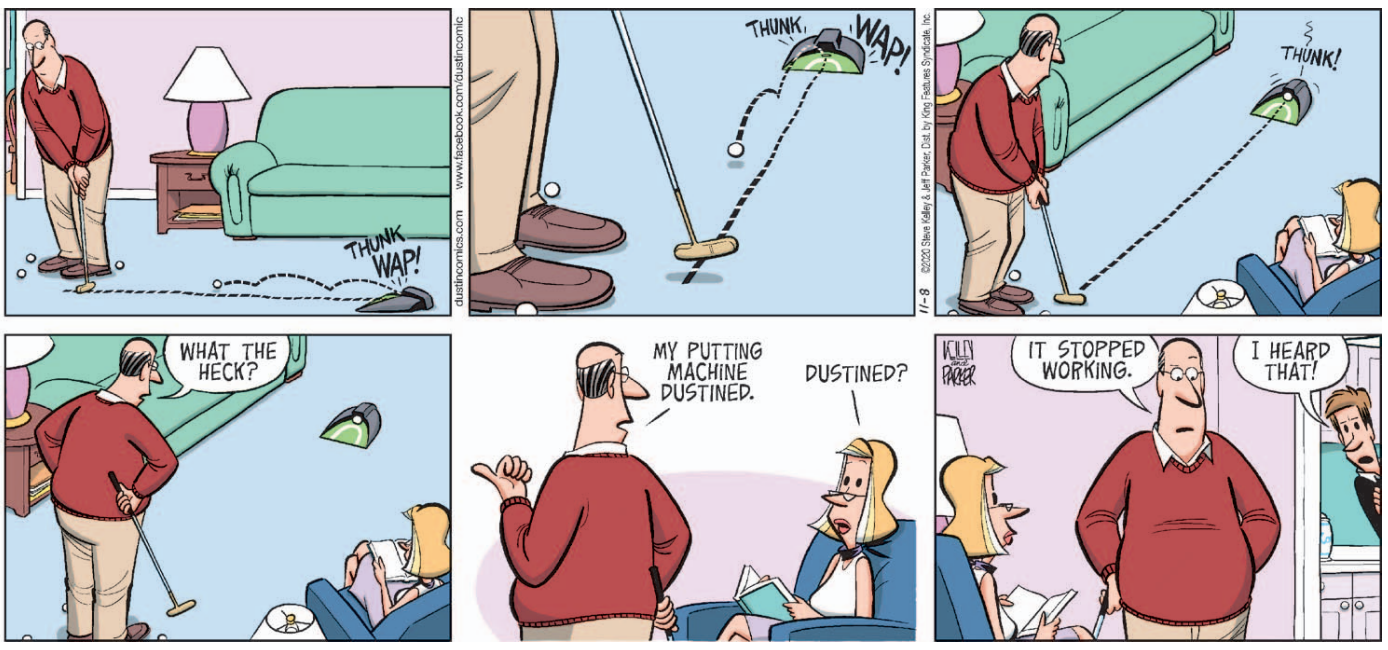

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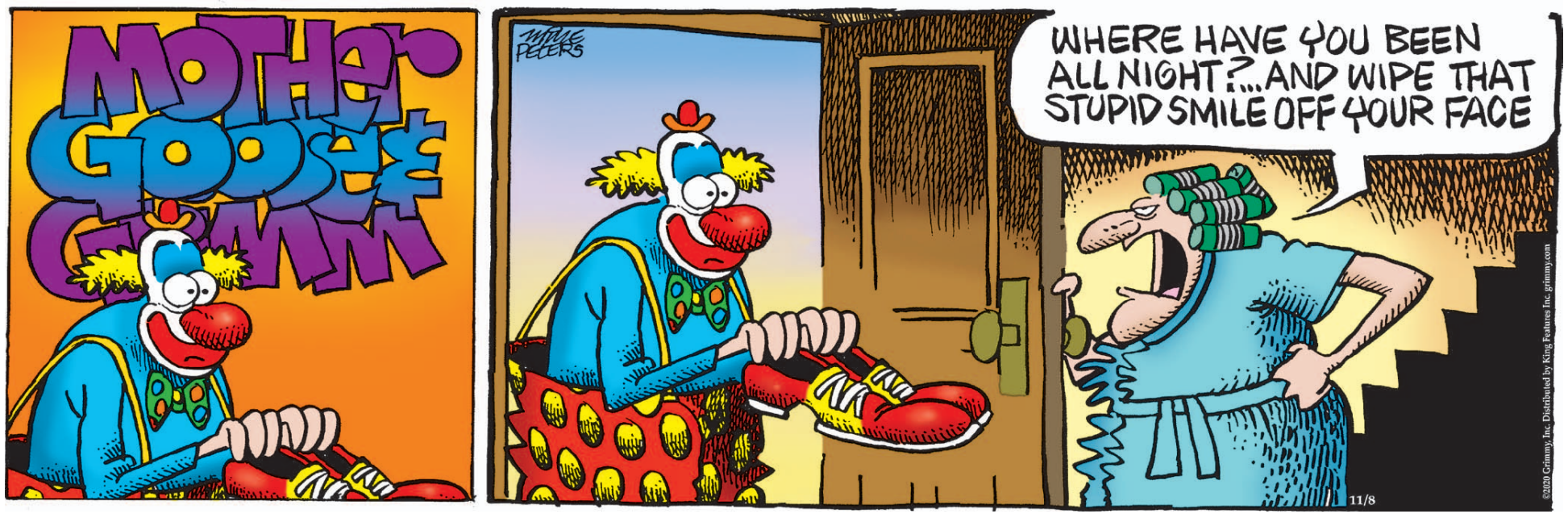
MOTHER GOOSE & GRIMM
MIKE PETERS
WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN ALL NIGHT?...AND WIPE THAT STUPID SMILE OFF YOUR FACE
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PICKLES

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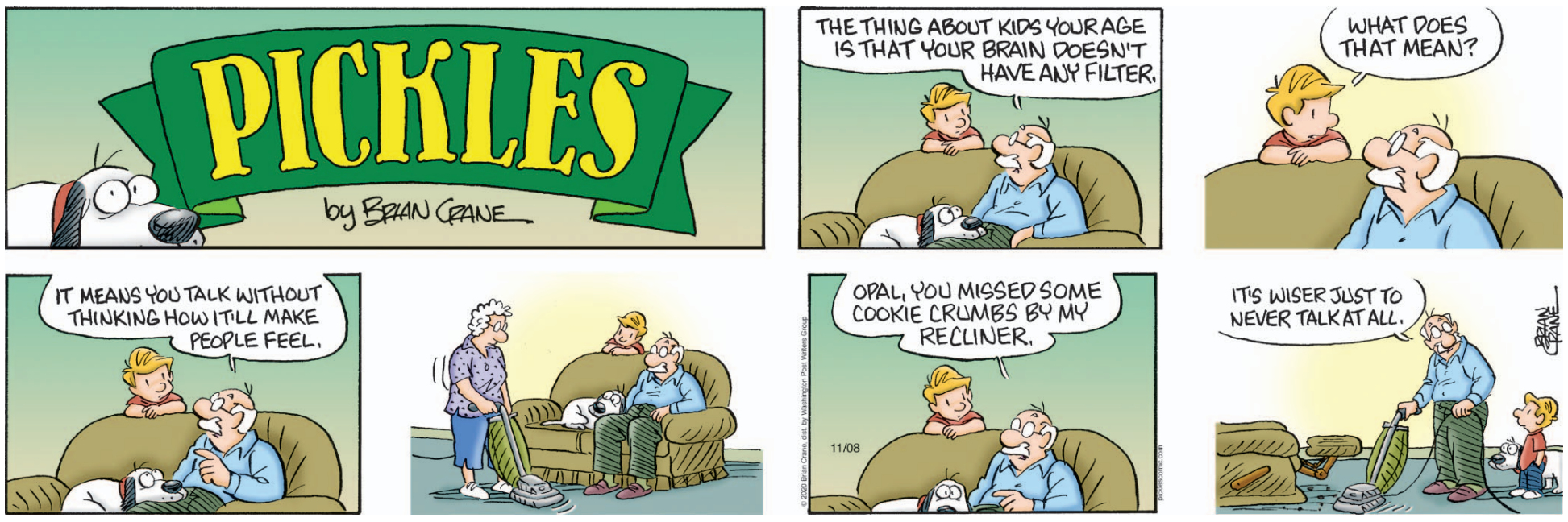
THE THING ABOUT KIDS YOUR AGE IS THAT YOUR BRAIN DOESN'T HAVE ANY FILTER.
WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?
IT MEANS YOU TALK WITHOUT THINKING HOW IT'LL MAKE PEOPLE FEEL.
OPAL, YOU MISSED SOME COOKIE CRUMBS BY MY RECLINER.
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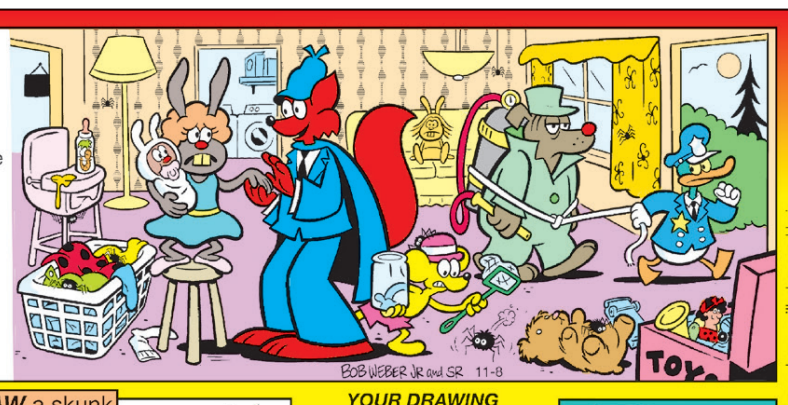
IT'S WISER JUST TO NEVER TALK AT ALL.

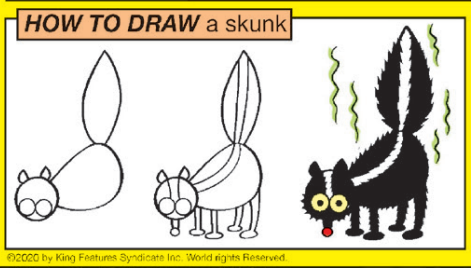
SLYLOCK FOX and COMICS FOR KIDS

Bob Weber Jr.'s

A deceitful dog posing as a pest exterminator has been scamming forest citizens. Slylock Fox tracked the canine crook to Rachel Rabbit's house, where he has already secretly released nine biting spiders. Help Slylock Fox and Max Mouse quickly find all the spiders in this scene.



HOW TO DRAW a skunk



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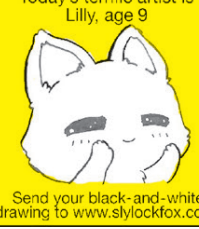
Today's terrific artist is Lilly, age 9



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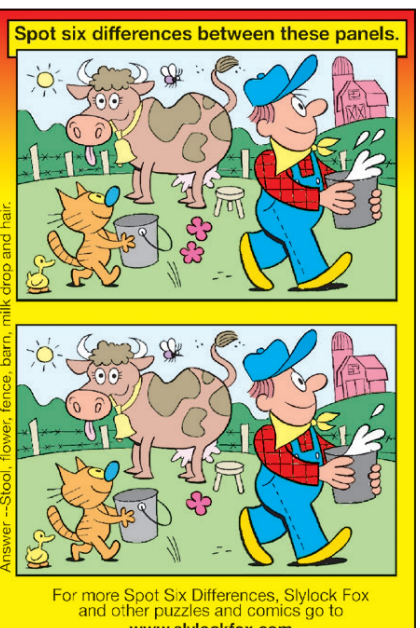
Which is the longest-living spider species?
a) Black widow
b) Tarantula
c) Brown recluse
d) Daddy longlegs

Answer -- b) Tarantulas can live up to 30 years.

Spot six differences between these panels.



Answer --Stool, flower, fence, barn, milk drop and hair

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